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## Fire fighters tackle blaze after home explodes

► Unlike other recent house fires, officials determine cause of latest

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

A quiet evening at home changed dramatically last Thursday night for a retired Frederic Township couple. Mr. and Mrs. Walter McCoy were sitting in their family room, around 10:15 p.m. on March 29 when an explosion occurred, setting their home on West Marker Road ablaze.

According to Frederic Fire Chief Doug Pratt, the McCoys escaped the home without injury and called 911 from their son's home nearby. The couple told him had the explosion occurred a half an hour later, they would have been in bed and would have probably been injured.

Because of the explosion, a mutual aid call went out to neighboring fire departments to assist and Chief Pratt said it appears to have paid off. "I have to thank those departments from Lovells, Grayling and Otsego Lake Townships for all of their help. The main part of the house is a total loss, but we were able to save the family room and the garage because we had a total of 29 fire fighters on scene."

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## Hippity, hoppity...snow please go away



It's spring time in Grayling and the Easter Bunny has paid a visit but not in the way most of us would have imagined. Two-year old Brienna Shear, of Grayling, seems to be happy to sit with this snow creation on the first day of spring, March 20. With snowflakes continuing to fall in northern Michigan, it's hard sometimes to believe spring has actually arrived on the calendar or otherwise.

## Rare antique fish carvings to be auctioned

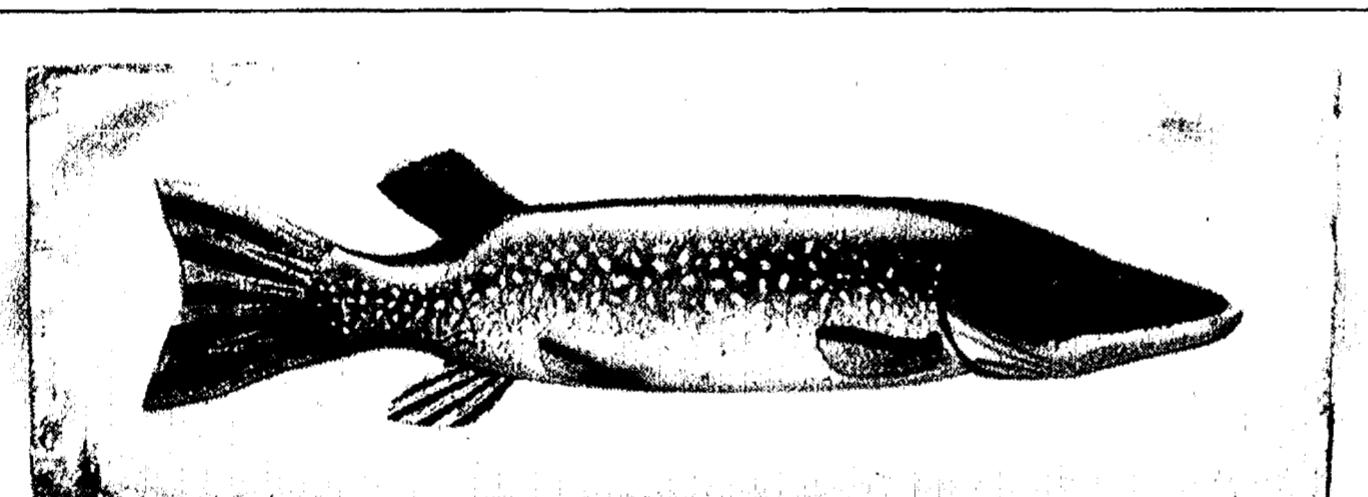


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Grayling native Oscar "Pelec" Peterson created this wood carving sometime before his death in 1951. It is expected to sell for over \$40,000 in an auction scheduled for April 25-26 in Illinois. This rare antique plaque is owned by a Cadillac resident. More of these plaques, decoys and other items considered rare are still in existence, possibly locally.

many states, are still used in parts of Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota. They are hung from their own jigging sticks and swim in a circular pattern below the ice as bait for larger fish.

Decoys were made of wood, tin, copper and even lead in a three-dimensional form so that they were more realistic in their movement under the ice. It is no wonder many of the decoys today are in very rough condition due to the icy water and the brute force of the fishermen's spears sometimes hitting the "wrong" fish.

More information about Oscar Peterson and his decoys can be learned by reading: *The Fish*

Decoy, Vol. 2 by Art, Brad and Scott Kimball, pg. 21; *Decoy Magazine: Fish Models, Plaques, and Effigies*, July/August 1996, pg. 15; *Beneath the Ice* by Ben Apfelbaum, Eli Gottlieb, Steven J. Michaan, pg. 24; and *The Collector's Guide to Antique Fishing Tackle*, by Silvio Calabi.

Perhaps the most information can be found in Ron Fritz's book, *Michigan's Master Carver Oscar W. Peterson 1891-1951*.

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For anyone who owns one of these fish carvings, the firm provides free decoy appraisals. Just send a photo of the decoy, plaque or other decorative carving, along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the address below.

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## It's time once again to spring ahead

► Idea of more daylight during waking hours goes back a long way

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

The days are growing longer as spring gets under way, but Mother Nature is about to get a boost from a concept that has been around since the days of our founding fathers.

Daylight Savings Time (DST) will officially begin Sunday, April 7 at 2 a.m., when most states turn timepieces ahead one hour, allowing for a perceived extra hour of daylight. (It is also time to check the batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.) The tradition began, as we know it, in 1966 with the passage by Congress of the Uniform Time Act, but the idea was conceived long before that by American statesman and inventor, Benjamin Franklin.

In 1784, Franklin got the idea that resetting clocks one hour ahead would create more daylight during waking hours. At that time, he was serving as Minister to France. According to his calculations, French shopkeepers could save about one million francs each year on the cost of candles.

British builder and Parliament member, William Willett proposed



the adoption of advanced time in 1907 to reduce the expense of artificial lighting for workers and those involved in recreation. The proposal met with mixed review and was not adopted.

Germany began observing Daylight Savings Time in 1916, during World War I, in an effort to conserve fuel and the rest of Europe followed closely behind. The United States did not adopt the concept until 1918, but Congress abolished the practice when the war ended, leaving decisions on time changes up to the local governments.

During World War II, President Franklin Roosevelt began year-round DST and called it "War Time," running from February 9, 1942 until the last Sunday in September, 1945. Many states and localities opted to adopt summer DST the following year.

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## New city hall may go near old one

► Plans for new city hall shift from Bear Archery land back to city land

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council has again shifted its focus with regard to a site for a new city hall. The city is now looking into building a new hall near or onto the old city hall on James Street near the AuSable River.

The city moved out of its old home in January of 2000 after leasing the entire building to the State Police Forensic Lab. The city's offices and police department have

been leasing temporary space in a building on M-72 West ever since.

After moving out and examining several possible sites for a new hall, the city was going to build near the fire station on James Street, but those plans were eventually scrapped. The city then planned to build on the Bear Archery property on M-72 West, but that land is in the process of environmental clean-up with the Crawford County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, making a time and an exact location for building two major uncertainties.

On Monday, March 25, the council examined three basic design sketches from Butcher & Associates architects.

City Manager Allen Lowe said

other architecture firms have expressed an interest in designing the new city hall, and the city has not selected a firm yet.

(The City of Grayling and

Grayling Township are currently in the process of trying to find a new home for the Grayling Fire Department. A couple possibilities for new city hall involve the existing fire department building.)

The three renderings presented at last Monday's council meeting included the following basic option proposals: (A) build new city hall where the fire department building is with a spot for expansion of the crime lab building in between new city hall and the forensic lab, if needed; (B) build new city hall just northeast of old city along the

AuSable River; (C) build new city hall as a two-story addition onto the southwest edge of the old city hall/forensic lab building (at the top of the river bank hill).

"I like 'C,'" Councilman Jerry Hayes said. "I like the idea of having city hall up front and visible."

Mayor Dave Wyman and council members Kathy Awiszus and Brian Banda also spoke in favor of option "C." No decision has been made, however.

Lowe said the council still needs to decide how to finance the endeavor - financing all, part, or paying cash - in addition to deciding whether to hire a general contractor or construction manager to handle the construction end of the project.

## City alters income tax reform plan

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Lowe said the city attorney's advice was for the council to rescind the March 11 motion and then pass a new motion that fulfills the specific language requirements.

On March 25, the council decided to call a special meeting on Wednesday, March 27, to rescind the March 11 motion and revisit the proposed income tax change with the appropriate ordinance language changes in hand.

The council rescinded the March 11 motion with a 5-0 vote on March 27.

Councilman Jerry Hayes then moved to amend the city's income tax ordinance (Section 11, 51, and 56) to effectively halve the city's income tax collection. Councilman

Brian Banda provided a second. Discussion followed.

Councilman Roger Moshier said he has received a lot of input from people following the March 11 decision, and said based on their statements he felt the council's income tax action was possibly "premature." "I think I made a wrong decision last time," he said.

Moshier said the majority of constituents he talked with were in favor of putting the matter on a ballot and letting voters have a chance to expand the use of the city income tax fund. "I feel that it would be best served to put it on the ballot this fall," he said.

Awiszus, who was not present at the March 11 meeting, said the responses she received after March

11 were very similar to the ones Moshier received, and spoke in favor of giving voters a chance to expand the use. If the expanded use proposal fails, "we can cut (the income tax) then," she said.

"I would have voted 'no' the first time," Awiszus said. "We have a real unique situation in Grayling. We have a nice chunk of money to use."

Banda said he was getting the "opposite response" that Moshier and Awiszus reported, but added that he was in favor of putting the expanded use on the ballot.

The income tax reform plan has been discussed by the city council for the last several months. The city has about \$1.3 million in its income tax fund. City Treasurer Terry McGregor said, and the money in it can only be used for "street, storm sewer, and curb and gutter construction," according to the ordinance.

City officials have said that its street and sidewalk construction

projects are mostly completed, and the city only needs enough income tax money to maintain what it already has in place. Due to the limitations of the ordinance, city officials have said the City of Grayling should cut the rate or expand the fund's use in order to discontinue the stockpiling of unusable revenue.

After discussion, Hayes amended his motion. Hayes moved to have the city place expanded use of its income tax fund (to include "capital improvement projects") on the ballot for the November 2002 regular election, with the stipulation that if the proposal is voted down the city's income tax will be cut in half (one percent to 1/2 percent for residents and 1/2 percent to 1/4 percent for non-residents) effective January 1, 2003. Banda provided the motion with a second.

"With this, the voters get to choose whether to expand the use or cut taxes," Banda said.

The motion passed 5-0.

## Luck runs in the family

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

Last year, Jessie Smock of Grayling hit it big -- winning over \$500,000 -- playing the "Wheel of Fortune" one-dollar progressive slot machine at Turtle Creek Casino in Williamsburg, near Traverse City. Last week, her mother got a little help from "The King" and followed in her daughter's footsteps.

Grayling resident, Becky Smock, told casino officials she "just had a feeling" about the "Elvis" 25-cent progressive slot machine on March 28.

Drawn to the machine with its sound clips of live performances of

Elvis Presley, Smock managed to line up the winning symbols on the machine's "Payline," and, won \$107,653.

According to the machine's manufacturer, International Game Technology in Rapid City, SD, the March 28 jackpot is the 16th "Megajackpot" to hit at Turtle Creek since 1997 and is the third "Elvis" jackpot to be awarded there. To date, over \$7.6 million in Megajackpot money has been given away at Turtle Creek.

Smock told a local television news station she plans to pay off her mortgage and do some home improvements with her winnings.

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# New library breaks circulation record

Submitted by Edward Elsner

## DMCC Library Director

The first weeks of operation at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County (DMCC) Library have been an outstanding success. After a nice flag-raising and ribbon-cutting ceremony on Friday, March 15, we played host to hundreds of people and checked out over 400 items. Little did we know, our busiest day was yet to come.

Saturday was very busy, but on Monday we checked out a record 422 items and saw our 20 high-speed public computers all in use for the first time. We probably had 100 kids from the elementary and primary schools next door stop by with their families and friends when school let out a little after 3 p.m.

(This is a great volunteer opportunity to help out the library and the children of this community from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on whatever day you might be available. We're already working with volunteers from Friends of the Library and have interest from several high school students looking for community service hours. Call the library at 348-9214 to get involved.)

Many students have visited the library for class tours and to help start up the Teen Advisory Board. We had all of the Grayling Middle School 7th graders visit the library during the course of our first week along with preschoolers and 1st graders from the AuSable Primary School. We're looking forward to seeing many more students tour our wonderful new building and make use of all our resources.

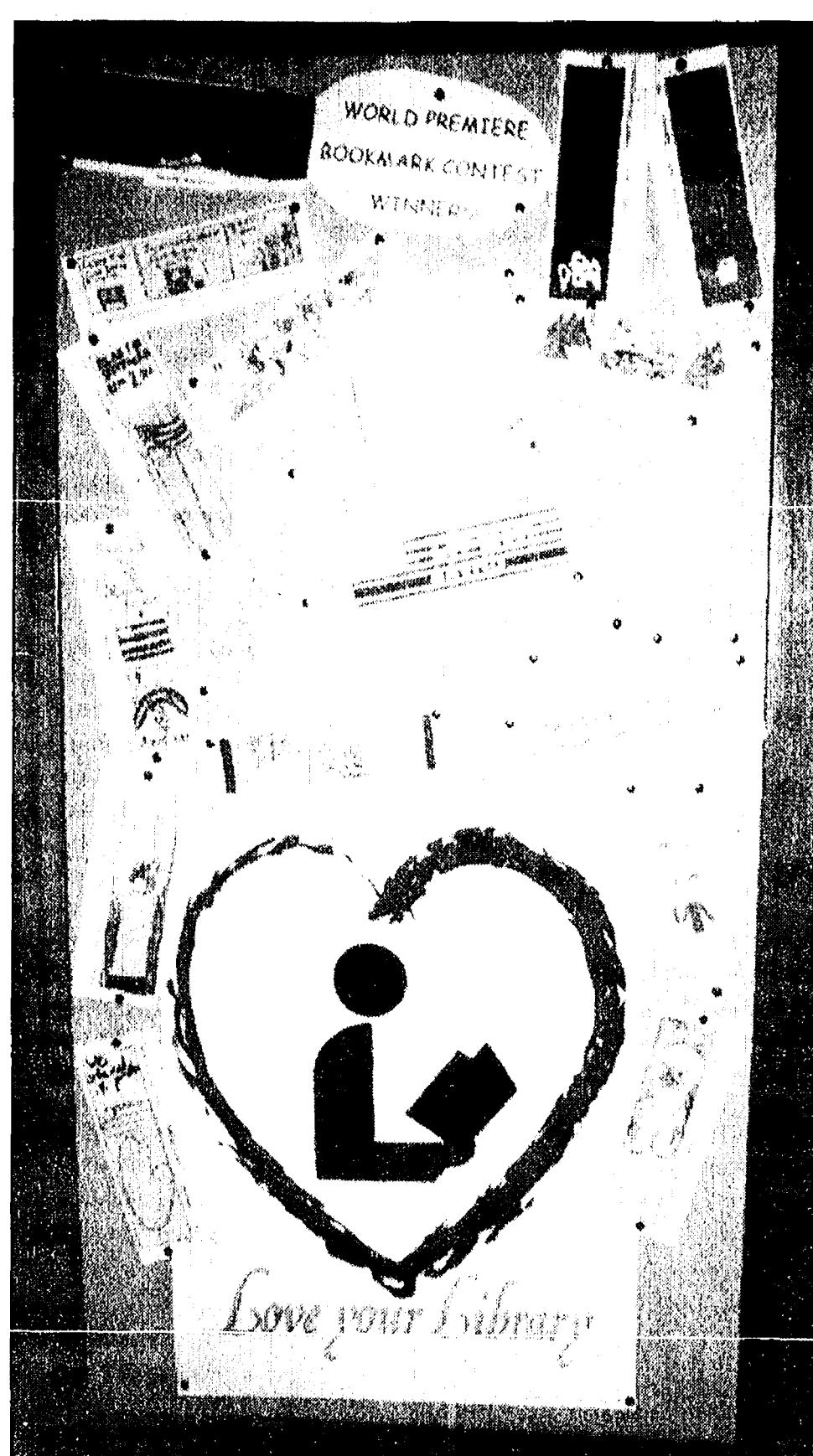
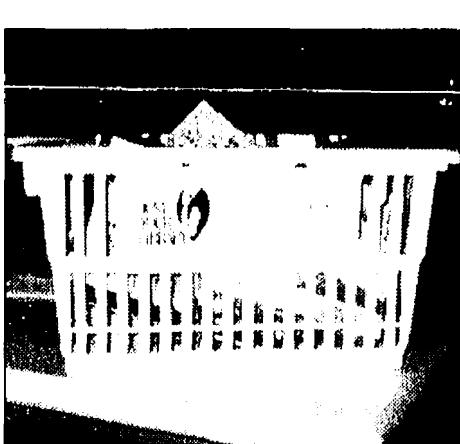
The Teen Advisory Board has already selected posters for the teen area of the new library and is planning on reading to the younger children on April 18 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Plans are under way for a

karaoke night at the library sometime in May. Be sure to attend the next meeting on Wednesday, April 17 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Good news for parents of little ones: Story Hour starts up again on Wednesday, April 10 at 1 p.m. Call the library for more information.

The following is the list of "World Premier Bookmark Contest" winners (Top Winners who had the opportunity to help cut the ribbon at the March 15 opening are indicated by "•"): Jim Boylan, Laura Boylan, Laura Brackenbury, Cody Cullen, Bethany Cornell, Brandi Creel, Jesse Crocker, Mikey DeFranco, Jason Drudge, Matt Dunckel, Brianna Farrell\*, Ashley Feldhauser, Corey Goodrow, Shauna Kappers, Krystal Larson, John Lennon, Alyssa Lewis, Samantha Martin, Sirria Martin, Mary Mathey, Katie Money, Alyssa Morley, Tianna Pillaro, Elizabeth Porter, David Priebe, Anna Ross, Angie Rouston\*, Jessica Skillem, Josie Swander, Sarah White.

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(Above) Currently on display at the new library are examples of entries from the recent World Premier Bookmark Contest. (Left) The library now has baskets to help patrons tote around their selections before checking out.

## Year end party geared to stave off mischief

► Organizers look to service groups, students, businesses, individuals for help

by Cheryll Ruley

Staff Writer

Each year on the last day of school, local business owners and parents brace themselves for student mischief. While most of the kids are just looking for some fun, in recent years some mischief has resulted in vandalism, minor injuries and the need for law enforcement to intervene.

Sadly, it has become the tradition for some high school students to pick on students who will be entering Grayling High School in the fall as freshmen. Because of this pattern, the MSU Extension Office has initiated a plan to throw a "Summer Send-Off" for the entire community, but geared mainly toward high school and middle school students.

Coordinating the event is Nancy Persing who has been working with middle school students for the past few years using character building curriculum in a program call "Character Counts." She has been very concerned about last day of school activities and the effects on the younger students, as well as on the business community.

Persing said some businesses in Grayling have reluctantly had to close their doors when the chasing and shaving cream fights worked their way off the sidewalks and streets and into stores, businesses and restaurants. Concerned about everyone's safety, Persing recently began to talk to adults and kids in the community to gather ideas and

suggestions that may deter the negative activity when school lets out for the summer.

Grayling High School's Positive Peer Involvement and Student Senate, the Grayling Middle School Student Council and the MSU Extension (4-H) office are working together to plan the event scheduled for June 7, but they are still in need of ideas, donations and financial support to make it successful.

"This is our opportunity for the community to come together to support the youth of our town on an important day for them," Persing remarked. "Instead of the students roaming around the town, they will be able to come here, play games, eat free food, and participate in contests as well as other activities."

Persing said the Summer Send-Off party will take place at the school field adjacent to Grayling Middle School. City police have given a tentative "ok" to blocking off Ottawa Street from right before school dismissal until the party ends at 5:30 p.m. Approval must be received from area homeowners before the police will give final approval.

Organizers are contacting local civic and service organizations to get their input and continue to seek

grants to help fund the event. The group has discussed fund-raising ideas, with any monies not used this year to be rolled over into the 2003 party fund.

Students are taking an important role in the planning process. "The students involved with setting up the Summer Send-Off are very excited for the opportunity to bring the students and the community closer," Persing said.

Together with the adults, the students have come up with some ideas, including: a DJ and local bands for entertainment, a dunk tank, shaving cream, whipped cream, water balloons, caricatures, bungee-run, jousting, obstacle course, Sumo wrestling, basketball, flag football, climbing wall, and skateboarding.

Suggested foods to be served include: hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza, pop, ice cream and munchies. Persing said she hopes local restaurants and retailers will be able to donate many of these items.

The Rialto Theatre and the GMS gym will be available for activities in case of inclement weather.

Anyone who would like to help in any way with the first annual Summer Send-off or would like more information, is urged to call

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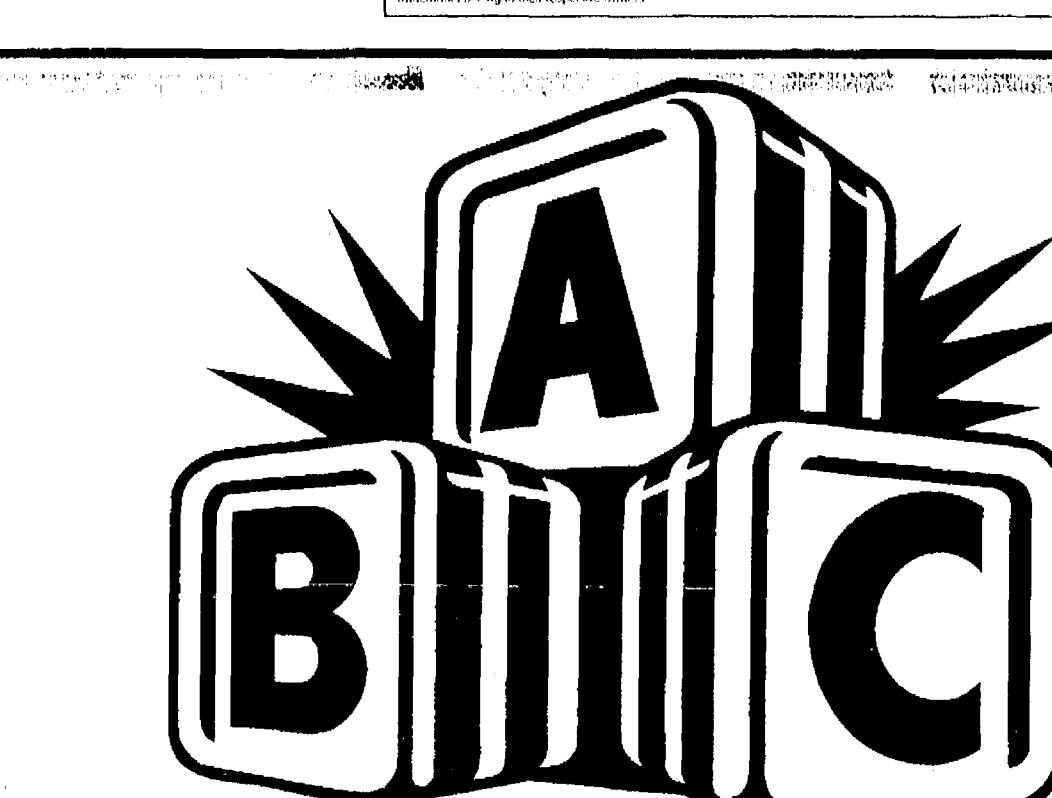
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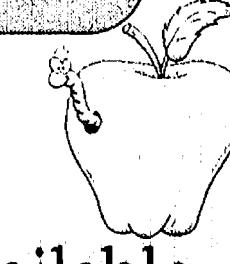
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## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

# GOP squabble about Yob is small potatoes

**SO CHUCK YOB**, long time Michigan Republican activist, made a bumbling slur about what jobs specially suit women in politics.

So what? Who cares and why should they?

First of all, who is Chuck Yob?

Well, he's the Republican National Committeeman from Michigan, a long-time Republican activist who has carried a lot of GOP water in the past, and is a guy who speaks his mind, is always good for a quotable comment, sometimes without calculating the full consequence of what he says.

In a freewheeling television panel show a couple weeks back, Mr. Yob indicated the Michigan secretary of state job is "a real nice place on the ticket for a woman. They like that kind of work."

A casual observer might think he had tried to force Michigan women to wear full-length Taliban robes or something.

In short order, the front line of poobahs

among Michigan Republicans started to call for Mr. Yob's political head on a platter.

State Sen. Joe Schwarz was first to urge Mr. Yob to resign. Of course, Mr. Schwarz is running for governor, and it made sense for him to grab headline or two.

In short order, Gov. John Engler, Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus, Secretary of State Candice Miller, National Committeewoman Sharon Wise and party wheelhorse Brooks Patterson of Oakland County all joined in, demanding Mr. Yob resign from the national committee.

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**UNLESS CHUCK YOB** is getting dotty as he grows older, no way will he resign. That's not the sort of guy he is, and that's not how he plays the game of politics -- and he's been an effective practitioner for a quarter century or longer.

As for the remark, Mr. Yob said his comments were clumsy but misinterpreted, and that the whole foofraw was "an inner party situation and shouldn't be fought out in the

press."

Besides, in practice a lot of politicians seemingly agree with him.

After complete male domination of the job forever, Republicans successfully put up Candice Miller for secretary of state eight years ago and defeated long-time incumbent Richard Austin.

Democrats responded with a mandatory female nominee against Ms. Miller in 1998.

Two of the leading Republican candidates to succeed Ms. Miller this year are Terri Land of Kent County and Anne Norlander of Calhoun County, both now county clerks.

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**TIME WAS WHEN** the secretary of state job was a political power center in Michigan, especially when branch offices around the state were political appointments, providing a built-in machine.

Often it was a stepping stone to running for governor. Ms. Miller eyed a return to that tradition this year, then backed off and decided the U.S. Congress was a surer shot

for her.

In more recent years, the Michigan job has lost much of its former political wallop. Branch offices are covered by civil service now, and much of the job indeed is ministerial in nature.

Is that sort of work a better fit for women than men? Of course not, but that's a long standing stereotype that's difficult to erase.

Mr. Yob did not say that secretary of state is the only political job for which women are suited, and his past political record shows a high regard for women's abilities in government and politics.

But he did put his foot at least part way into his mouth, and for some reason, his Republican colleagues have been shoving hard to complete the job.

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**WILL IT MAKE** any difference in this year's election?

Probably not. It may provide possible campaign fodder for those who want to paint Republicans as anti-woman, but it's a

pretty long stretch.

Democrats may lock up much of the female vote anyway if Attorney General Jennifer Granholm wins their nomination for governor. Recent polls indicate she's carrying more than half the Michigan female vote now.

The Yob squabble will give Democrats a few laughs, and will provide lots of chatter at Republican gatherings this year, but it will only tend to reinforce both sides -- those who like and respect Chuck Yob and those who don't.

As for Joe Sixpack, morning coffee klatchers, the water cooler and copy machine gossip groups and other plain old Michigan citizens ... they could not care less ... nor should they.

\* \* \*

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

## VIEWPOINT

### District Health Department #10

#### Public Health Week promotes healthy communities

From childhood immunizations to a breast and cervical cancer control program, from maternal and infant support services to well and septic inspections and permits, county health departments are often called the front-line of Michigan's health care delivery system. The services provided by these local public health departments are geared toward keeping people well through the promotion of health and the prevention of diseases and injuries.

The week of April 14-19 has been designated nationally as Public Health Week. The theme of this event is "Healthy People in Healthy Communities!" Public Health Week provides an opportunity to recognize the contributions of public health to the nation's well-being as well as help focus public attention on major health issues in our communities.

According to B. Michael Skoog, Health Officer for District Health Department #10, "Public Health is the least understood piece of the pie that we call our comprehensive and complex 'health care system,' and yet it is one of the most important pieces."

To many, "public health" is just the medical care provided to the poor at public health clinics. However, public health programs are actually responsible for the major increases in life span that developed countries have achieved.

We enjoy additional years of life because the public health system has been working to control contagious diseases, improve sanitation, and assure safe water supplies and food purity. In addition, health promotion programs are designed to address the huge increase in chronic diseases which make up seven of the top leading causes of death in the United States and are directly related to lifestyle choices.

Services provided by District

Health Department #10 include communicable disease identification and outbreak control, childhood immunizations, prenatal health assistance, maternal and infant support services, family planning services, Children's Special Health Care Services, lead poisoning prevention and investigation, school hearing and vision screening, influenza and pneumonia immunizations, scoliosis screening, blood pressure screening, sexually transmitted disease control, HIV/AIDS advocacy and case management, HIV counseling and testing, food service inspection and licensing, well and septic permits, rabies control, water quality management, environmental health community planning, campground inspections, Women, Infant and Children Supplemental Food Program (W.I.C.), Breast & Cervical Cancer Control Program, public education, worksite and community health promotion programs, tobacco education and control, and community health assessment and planning.

"Public Health Week is a chance to increase awareness of the public health programs at both the state and local levels," said Skoog. "I urge everyone to take advantage of this unique opportunity to make public health public."

The Mission of District Health Department #10 is to promote and enhance the health of all individuals through education, prevention, intervention, and protection of the environment. Please join in recognizing the successes of public health in striving for "Healthy People in Healthy Communities." Locally, public health questions or concerns may be directed to (989) 348-7800.

Sarah Oleniczak, C.H.E.S.  
Health Promotion Director  
District Health Department #10

## Ollie's Island featured in downstate newspaper

To the editor,

Very recently, the *Bay City Times* featured an article that mentioned a former Grayling resident, Ollie Janoviak.

When the Space Shuttle Challenger exploded after takeoff on January 18, 1986, a teacher named Christa McAuliffe lost her life.

A memorial was created by the Women's Improvement Club on a small plot on Tuscola and Trumbull Avenue. Now it has to be moved to make way for road improvement. The exact location is being considered.

Ollie lived across the road from this little memorial and watched as refuse cluttered the area. He took it upon himself to clean it up and care for the plants. It became "Ollie's Island" with his daily care for all the years he lived nearby.

I know how he loved his little garden. He told me all about it. His wife, Helen, was a member of the Women's Club and his son, Bill, used to help his dad. I wrote to Bill and asked if I should put this in the Avalanche. He agreed.

Clara Sorenson  
Grayling

## Teachers, coaches should be trained in first aid

To the editor,

The American Red Cross is leading an effort to make schools, homes and workplaces safer. We have all learned the painful lessons of the past year - that emergencies happen without notice or time to prepare. None of us can predict when we may be called upon to respond in a crisis.

In our schools, it is the teachers and the coaches who are on the front lines for our children when an emergency happens. They carry the burden that in a time of need, they may have to respond quickly to an injured or ill child.

Emergencies in our schools take many forms, from choking incidents in the lunchroom, to accidents on the playing field and even unthinkable tragedies in the classroom.

Those who lead our youth need to be trained to respond quickly and appropriately with first aid, CPR or sports safety measures. Now is the time for training, not during a frantic 911 phone call when every second matters and a child's life is at stake.

Parents in our community should expect that our teachers and coaches would provide proper care for a child during an incident or emergency.

The Centers for Disease Control reports that injury visits to hospital emergency rooms by our youth average 2.6 million per year for sports related activities, or about 91,000 annually in Michigan.

It only makes sense that our coaches and teachers are trained. They work with our children every day, often spending more hours a day with our children than even the parents. So, when an injury does occur they must be able to respond immediately and with the proper training.

Senate Bill 278 and House Bill 4237 address training requirements for coaches and teachers respectively. Michigan needs to join the 21 other states that have some first aid requirement for teachers and the 18 other states that require sports safety training for coaches.

It only makes sense to require those who work with our children to have proper first aid and sports safety training. The cost is minimal-less than \$50 for a six and one half-hour course. It's an investment that could make a significant difference in a child's health and life.

Dr. Daniel R. Woodruff  
Volunteer Public Relations  
Chairman, American Red Cross

## Learn how your health is affected by alcohol

To the editor,

How much is too much? Trying to figure out the risks and benefits associated with alcohol use is not easy.

The news is often full of confusing and sometimes contradictory information. One week, alcohol raises your risk of breast cancer -- the next week, it doesn't. One week, drinking red wine is good for you -- the next week, the results are murky. How does the average person know what to do?

Area residents can now learn the facts on April 11 -- National Alcohol Screening Day, part of Alcohol Awareness Month.

In order to help individuals get the facts on alcohol, Catholic Human Services -- along with Family Independence Agency -- will offer a free, anonymous education and screening program as part of National Alcohol Screening Day. The free screenings will be held at 1169 Elkview, Suite #3 in Gaylord, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. that day.

As part of the program, participants will hear an educational presentation on alcohol problems, complete a written self-test, and have the opportunity to talk privately with a health professional. An educational video, pamphlets, brochures and flyers will be available, as well as referrals to local treatment and support resources for those who need further evaluation.

Some things we do know:

- Heavy drinking raises the risk for high blood pressure, heart disease, certain cancers, accidents, violence, suicides, birth defects and overall mortality.

- Moderate alcohol consumption,

## Gas bill's extra charges 'outrageous'

To the editor,

I'm writing in response to my recent gas bill. Since MichCon was sold to DTE, I figured it was no big deal. Then I received my gas bill this month. I was shocked to see it went up almost \$30.

That wasn't bad enough. Then I noticed I'm not only paying DTE for my actual gas usage, I'm also paying almost \$41 to MichCon every month. So, I called them.

They went on to tell me I'm paying for MichCon to supply DTE with the gas they are selling to me. I don't know about you, but I think this is totally unfair to everyone.

If DTE purchased MichCon,

however, may lower the risk for heart disease and risk of death from heart disease.

- More than 150 medications interact harmfully with alcohol.

- Women metabolize alcohol differently from men, meaning a woman can suffer more negative effects if she drinks as much as a man of similar height and weight.

- Even a moderate amount of alcohol, consumed as much as six hours before bedtime, can disturb sleep patterns.

For most adults, moderate alcohol use -- up to two drinks per day for men and one drink per day for women and older people -- causes few, if any, problems. (One drink equals one 12-ounce bottle of beer or wine cooler, one 5-ounce glass of wine, or 1.5 ounces of 80-proof distilled spirits.)

But, if you have a family history of alcohol abuse, are taking certain over-the-counter or prescription medications, are pregnant or trying to get pregnant, or have medical conditions that can be made worse by drinking, then any alcohol use may lead to significant health problems and sometimes even death.

Education, awareness and understanding -- the kind of outreach provided by National Alcohol Screening Day -- are key factors to reducing problem drinking in this country.

For more information about the free screenings, call 1-800-506-3602 or visit: [www.mentalhealth-screening.org](http://www.mentalhealth-screening.org).

Kathleen Arndt, Administrator  
Catholic Human Services  
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don't you think they should have had the gas to sell without charging us to get it in the first place? I don't know about anyone else, but it's hard enough to pay your monthly bills without all there outrageous extra charges. Is there anyone else that feels the way I do? If so, there's got to be something we can do about this.

Please, if there is anyone else who feels the way I do, let's see just what can be done about this.

Sign me "Fed up in Grayling."

M.J. Potter  
Grayling

# BRIEFS

## Sheriff to attend South Branch meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will be attending the regular meeting of the South Branch Township Board of Trustees scheduled for Tuesday, April 9 at 7 p.m. Anyone with questions or comments should feel free to attend the meeting. Sheriff Wakefield will be there throughout the meeting and, if necessary, will remain afterwards for additional questions and comments.

## Lions Club Lucky 13 winner named

The Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle winner of \$300 for Week 13 is Cory Dean of Grayling.

## Lionesses plan 'Spring Extravaganza'

The Grayling Lioness Spring Extravaganza will be held Saturday, April 13, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at Grayling Elementary to raise funds to benefit Grayling High School scholarships and other local charities. The featured event of the Extravaganza will be a fashion show, featuring clothing from Cartwright & Danewell, Riverland Gear, and Boards and Beyond. Representatives from Princess House crystal products and Mary Kay Cosmetics will be in attendance. A bake sale will be held; pop and popcorn will be available. Admission is \$2 for adults; children under 12 years of age will be admitted free of charge.

## Master Gardeners to discuss lilies

Master Gardeners and anyone interested in gardening are invited to the meeting of the Master Gardener Society on Monday, April 8, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Lyon Township Hall. Advanced Master Gardener Norma Boyle will present a program called "Lilies -- Not Day." Learn how easy it is to add spectacular beauty to gardens with lilies. For more information, contact Co-Chairman Jean at (989) 366-5169. Reservations are not required. Everyone is welcome to attend and bring a friend.

## ABWA taking scholarship applications

The American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is accepting applications for scholarships for adults from March 27 through April 30, 2002. Applications can be picked up from Rhonda Haas at Citizens Bank, the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce office during regular business hours, or at the front desk at Mercy Hospital in Grayling. The ABWA would like to help those planning to continue their education. Since 1969, the ABWA has been a non-profit organization of Crawford County women developing their business skills, awarding scholarships, and having fun all at the same time. For information about becoming a member, call Cathy at 348-6708 and be a guest at its next meeting.

## Lunch concert features Zegree & Noble

Opera baritone Stephen Zegree and concert pianist Timothy Noble will perform in a dinner concert on Sunday, April 7 in the Evergreen Room of the Holiday Inn in Grayling. (This is a change in location from what is stated on tickets.) The performance is the third event in the Command Performance Series of the Crawford AuSable Community Cultural Events Program. Lunch includes choice of London Broil or Fried Shrimp, potato, vegetable, Danish vegetable soup, non-alcoholic beverage and dessert. Tickets are \$25 per person and includes tax and tip. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Ticket quantities are limited; call 344-5000 to reserve tickets.

## Fair group to unload trash for cash

The Crawford County Fair Association will host a fund-raiser at the Grayling Township Transfer Station (located on North Down River Road) on Saturday, April 6. Volunteers will unload household refuse for cash donations to help make this year's fair possible.

## Transplant support group to meet

The Organ & Tissue Transplant Support Group of Northern Michigan meeting will be held Thursday, April 11 at 6 p.m. in the classroom at Otsego Memorial Hospital located at 825 N. Center (US-27 North) in Gaylord. April is Organ and Tissue Awareness Month. Anyone who would like to receive free Organ Transplant yard signs to display and/or pass along to friends and relatives may do so by phoning Bev Cherwinski at (989) 983-4188. The signs help to promote awareness of the need for organ and tissue donation.

## Garden Club speaker to discuss herbs

The Beyond the Garden Wall Garden Club will have a guest speaker from the Circle Herb Farm who will discuss how to grow, store and use herbs. The meeting will be held Thursday, April 4 at 7 p.m. at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

## Cheboygan hosts Home Show 2002

Home Show 2002, sponsored by the Cheboygan Area Chamber of Commerce and Straits Area Builders Association, will be held at the Cheboygan Ice Pavilion, 480 Cleveland Avenue on Saturday, April 6 and Sunday, April 7. Show hours on Saturday are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday show hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Show admission is \$2 per person. Children under 12 are admitted free.

Wander through the show and visit with over 75 exhibitors that are featuring an excellent variety of home improvement, building and decorating exhibits. Be on the look out for those exhibitors who are providing daily door prize drawings.

The Chamber will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets with one daily drawing on Saturday and Sunday. Recipient does not have to be present to win. The Straits Area Builders Association will be selling life-size playhouse raffle tickets. Grand Prize

## KCC to host MSU's Ardent String Quartet

In celebration of Michigan State University's Sesquicentennial (150th) in 2005, MSU is sending music groups around the state to perform in as many communities as possible. The performance by the Ardent String Quartet will be one of those touring performances.

The Ardent String Quartet was formed in 1999 at Michigan State University. Consisting of two undergraduates, a master's candidate, and a doctoral candidate, the quartet is coached by professors I-Fu Wang and Natalia Khoma of Michigan State University.

Ann Marie Jones is a music education major at MSU. Originally from Chesaning, Michigan, Ann Marie began violin study at the age of nine. Ann Marie is currently a faculty member of MSU's Community Music School.

Corey Mike is a music performance undergraduate at MSU. He started playing violin when he was three. Corey reached the finals in Michigan State's honors competition.

Jong-goo Kim, a native of Korea,

completed his bachelor of music in performance at Kyung-Hee University in Seoul. He has played with the KBS Symphony, the Chicago Civic Orchestra, and is currently a member of the Greater Lansing Symphony Orchestra. He is pursuing his doctorate degree at MSU.

Andrew Hamric began playing cello at age eleven. A native of Clawson, he is currently pursuing his master's degree in both performance and music theory at MSU. He graduated from DePauw University in 1999.

They will perform works from Hayden, Ravel, and Shostakovich while at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts.

For ticket reservations call the Kirtland Ticket Office at (989) 275-6777.

The Ardent String Quartet will perform on Friday, April 12, at 8 p.m. at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts on the campus at Kirtland Community College. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for students.

## Farm Park seeking information

As it prepares for opening day on May 25, Wellington Farm Park is actively seeking any and all information it can obtain about the community of Wellington and the Township of Beaver Creek.

The park staff hopes to display a comprehensive history of Wellington and the surrounding area this season in the Visitor Center. Photographs taken of the area during the early 1900's are especially sought. Letters, diaries or legal papers kept by people who lived in the southwestern corner of Crawford County are also of interest. Also, envelopes or post cards with Wellington addresses or postmarks are important sources of information.

The park staff is especially interested in seeing photographs showing some of the farms that existed in the area. Information on two such farms is especially important. One is the

farm that was on the northwest corner of Military and Fletcher Roads and the other which was located at the northwest corner of Military and Seven Mile Roads. These farms were once owned by Wellington Batterson and John Hanna, prominent figures of the Wellington Community.

Curators at the 60-acre living history museum are not asking people to give up any of their artifacts, but rather to allow them to be copied. Artifacts can also be loaned to the museum. Anyone who lived in the Wellington area during the 1930's who would be willing to share their memories are asked to call.

If anyone has any historical artifacts or information which they would be willing to share with Wellington Farm Park, please call 888-653-3276, visit the website at [www.wellingtonfarmpark.org/](http://www.wellingtonfarmpark.org/), or email [howard@i2k.net](mailto:howard@i2k.net).

## Fire study targets residents in forested areas

Homeowners of Crawford, Oscoda and Ogemaw Counties may receive mail from Michigan State University concerning a national study of residents' perceptions of forest fire management, particularly for residential areas in or near national and state forests.

The study is designed to learn more about full-time and seasonal residents who live in areas where fire and fuel management play a central role for local fire departments and state and federal natural resource managers.

A random sample of residents was selected to receive a questionnaire that should take approximately 15 minutes to complete. Participation is voluntary but encouraged, so the data will accurately represent the opinions of the full range of residents.

For more information, contact the Cheboygan Area Chamber of Commerce at (231) 627-7183.

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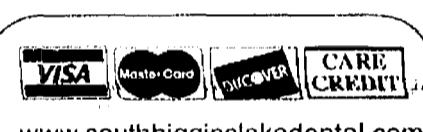
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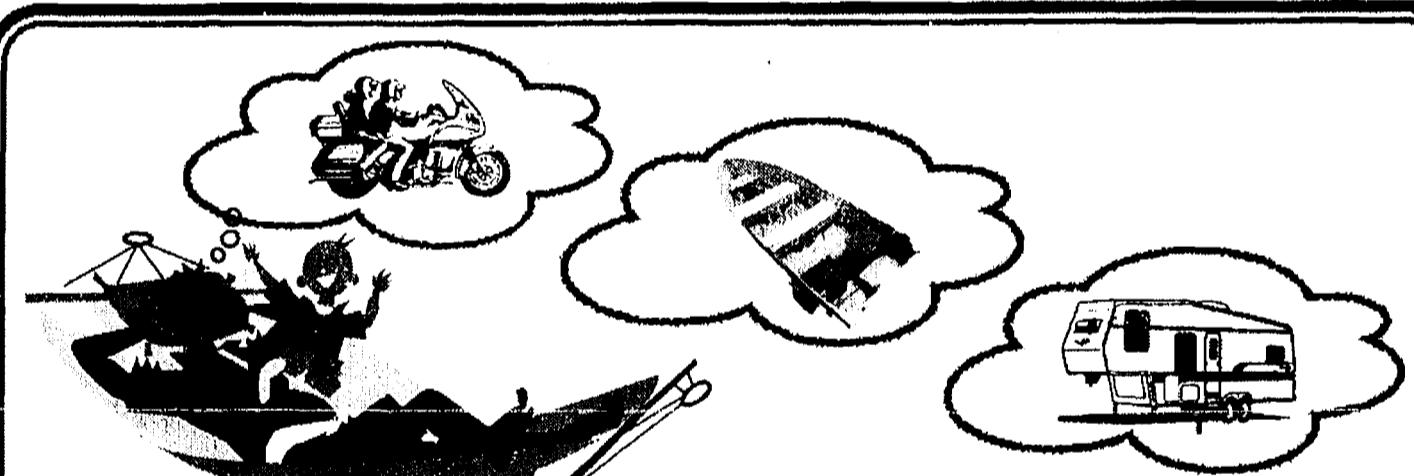
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# The Bible Speaks

## A Brit's "God Bless America"

Every once in a while we read something that should be repeated again without editing. From MCR.org, by CyberAlert, comes an article reportedly written by an unidentified dentist from Australia:

"You probably missed it in the rush of news last week, but there was actually a report that someone in Pakistan had published in a newspaper an offer of a reward to anyone who killed an American, any American." So I just thought I would write to let them know what an American is, so they would know when they found one.

An American is English, or French, or Italian, Irish, German, Spanish, Polish, Russian or Greek. An American may also be Mexican, African, Indian, Chinese, Japanese, Australian, Iranian, Asian, or Arab, or Pakistani, or Afghan. An American may also be a Cherokee, Osage, Blackfoot, Navaho, Apache, or one of the many other tribes known as native Americans.

An American is Christian, or he could be Jewish, or Buddhist, or Muslim. In fact, there are more Muslims in America than in Afghanistan. The only difference is that in America they are free to worship as each of them chooses. An American is also free to believe in no religion. For that will answer only to god, not to the government, or to armed thugs claiming to speak for the government and for god.

An American is from the most prosperous land in the history of the world. The root of that prosperity can be found in the Declaration of Independence, which recognizes the God-given right of each man and woman to the pursuit of happiness.

There is nothing quite like the wedding of a man and a woman who have fallen in love and pledged themselves to each other forever. They seem to float on clouds of bliss and happy tears as they dance their way from the reception to their honeymoon.

Finally, the couple crosses the threshold to their new home and to their life as husband and wife. Every day holds surprises. Some are exhilarating. Others are exasperating. Nevertheless, when both are committed to their common good as a couple, with a little compromise, each emerges a winner.

The secret to living happily ever after is to rise above frustrations by clinging to a common faith in God. Hebrews 11:1 says, "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see." In other words, remain firm in your love and trust God to know your ultimate good.

Worship each week and God will strengthen you as a loving couple. Your love will remain like new when God is there with the two of you.



## Falling in Love... Rising with Faith

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm	Psalm
4	5	11	12	16	22	31

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Sunday School  
Sept. - May  
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Bible Study (Wed) .....10:30 am

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Saturday .....10:30 am  
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Tuesday .....7 pm

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Chapel Service .....11 am  
Wednesday  
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Adult and Youth  
Sunday School .....9:30 am

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Evening Worship .....6 pm  
Wednesday .....7 pm

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Parsonage 348-2588  
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Evening Service .....6 pm  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children .....7 pm

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with the Elijah Message  
Pastor Paul Rolfe  
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic  
Sunday  
Worship .....10 am & 7 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service .....7 pm

An American is generous. Americans have helped out just about every other nation in the world in their time of need. When Afghanistan was overrun by the Soviet army 20 years ago, Americans came with arms and supplies to enable the people to win back their country. As of the morning of September 11, Americans had given more than any other nation to the poor in Afghanistan.

Americans welcome the best, the best products, the best books, the best music, the best food, the best athletes. But they also welcome the least. The national symbol of America, The Statue of Liberty, welcomes your tired and your poor, the wretched refuse of your teeming shores, the homeless, tempest tossed. These in fact are the people who built America. Some of them were working in the Twin Towers the morning of September 11, earning a better life for their families. [I've been told that the World Trade Center victims were from at least 30 other countries, cultures, and first languages, including those that aided and abetted the terrorists.]

You can try to kill an American if you must. Hitler did. So did General Tojo, and Stalin, and Mao Tse-Tung, and every bloodthirsty tyrant in the history of the world. But, in doing so you would just be killing yourself. Because Americans are not a particular people from a particular place. They are the embodiment of the human spirit of freedom. Everyone who holds to that spirit, everywhere, is an American.

So look around you. You may find more Americans in your land than you thought were there. One day they will rise up and overthrow the old, ignorant, tired tyrants that trouble too many lands. Then those lands, too, will join the community of free and prosperous nations. And America will welcome them!"

Tyranny hates freedom it cannot destroy. America has more freedom than any nation in history. Since true freedom is God given, the only source of freedom is God. "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." (John 8:36). Just as freedom is a gift of God, slavery is the product of human sin. God repeatedly teaches us in the Bible that nations do not learn from history, therefore they continue to repeat the cycles of sin, servitude, supplication, and salvation. What will be our choice? Pastor B

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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## Grayling tot snags a big one



Photo by Linda Golnick

Four-year old Logan Tuck, of Grayling, is proud to show off the nine-pound, 24 1/2-inch brown trout he caught on March 19 while fishing on Higgins Lake with his father Tom Tuck, also of Grayling, and grandfather Larry Tuck of Gaylord. A few weeks back, Logan snagged a 20-inch rainbow trout from the same lake.

## HONORS

### Grand Valley State University

Grand Valley State University announces its Dean's List. Local students Krista S. Alef and Joshua B. Nethers of Grayling, and Amanda M. Whitlock of Roscommon, have received this honor. Students named to this list must maintain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for the semester and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

### Lawrence University

Gina Rosi, a senior at Grayling High School, was among 25 students nationwide who participated in a weekend history workshop March 1-3 at Lawrence University. She is the daughter of Dr. Tomlin and Marilyn Rosi, of Grayling.

Led by seven faculty members of Lawrence's history department, the two-day workshop explored the factors involved in reconstructing and interpreting historical events.

The workshop focused on the significance of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and the 17th-century witch trials in Europe and America.

Rosi was selected for the workshop on the basis of superior academic performance in high school as well as an interest in history, the social sciences and humanities.

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## Race is on in annual Birdhouse Contest

The Camp Grayling Conservation Club (CGCC) is sponsoring its annual Birdhouse Contest involving 4th grade students in the Crawford AuSable School District and

Calvary Baptist Academy in Grayling.

Club members make redi-cut birdhouse kits and distribute them to fourth graders wishing to enter the

contest. These kits are to be constructed by the students and their parents. Once constructed and placed somewhere outside the family's home, birds should be flocking

to move in to make it their home and start a family.

To further entice the students to construct and erect these birdhouses, the CGCC will award a brand new bicycle to the first student who has a baby chick hatch in their birdhouse. Parents and students are advised that once they hear the sound of a baby chick coming from the birdhouse, they should immediately call 344-6158 and ask for Cpt. Peters.

Cpt. Peters will visit the student's yard to verify that a baby chick has actually hatched in the birdhouse. Once verified, he will make arrangements to have the student select a brand new bicycle.

The birdhouse kits were handed out on March 26 by CGCC President Luanne Shirkey and club member, Art Thayer. The first chick is expected to hatch sometime in May. Any questions concerning the contest may be directed to Shirkey at 344-6182.



Photo courtesy of Grayling Elementary School

(From left) Sabrena Galvani, Ryan Nielson, Austin Priebe, Harley Perkins, Kamryn Kurtzner were among 83 fourth grade students to receive Birdhouse Contest construction kits from the Camp Grayling Conservation Club (CGCC) last week. Representing the CGCC, Art Thayer (left) helped distribute the kits. Students from Grayling Elementary, Frederic Elementary and Calvary Baptist Academy have entered the contest to see who will have the first baby bird to hatch in their handmade birdhouse.

## It's time once again to spring ahead

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The transportation industry sought federal regulation of time during the early 1960s because of the lack of consistency in time setting leading to problems with scheduling across the country. The Uniform Time Act of 1966 was passed, mandating standard time within established time zones.

In each time zone, clocks would be set ahead one hour beginning at 2 a.m. on the last Sunday in April and set back one hour on the last Sunday in October. States could exempt themselves from the time changes only if the entire state agreed to do so.

Only Arizona, Hawaii, the part of Indiana in the eastern time zone; American Samoa, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands are currently exempt from DST.

Congress attempted year-round,

DST during the OPEC oil embargo during the mid-1970s, enacting legislation in an effort to conserve fuel. The trial period lasted a little more than a year and the country returned to observing summer DST.

Since that time, Congress has battled periodically over the advantages and disadvantages of DST. Some Congressman believed extending DST an extra month or so would result in a drop in violent crimes, fatal traffic accidents and significant drop in energy usage.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) was tasked with evaluating the value of extending DST and reported in 1975 only modest overall benefits from the plan.

The National Bureau of Standards then evaluated the DOT report and came to the same conclusions, with exception of "a significant increase in fatalities among

school-age children in the mornings during the test period."

The Bureau was unable to determine if the increase was directly related to the time change.

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In 1999, Congress enacted an amendment to the Uniform Time Act making the beginning of DST on the first Sunday in April and ending the last Sunday in October. Bills continue to be introduced to this day to amend the act. Currently there are proposals to change the beginning of DST to the first Sunday in March and end it on the first Sunday in November. Does anybody really know what time it is?

No action has been taken on either bill thus far.

## Fire fighters tackle blaze after home explodes

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Pratt said it took a little over four hours to completely extinguish the fire. He has determined that a propane or LP gas leak allowed vapors to build up under the crawl space near the hot water tank and furnace. Once the crawl space was filled, he said the gas travelled up a vent pipe where it was ignited, most likely by the furnace ignition.

A pitted and worn copper pipe that carried the gas flow in the house has been determined the source of the leak. Pratt said maintenance of

copper piping used to move gas is very important and should be evaluated annually by a gas supplier professional or heating and cooling expert. The safest and most common type of pipe used in gas applications is "black pipe" that is resistant to pitting and corrosion, unlike copper piping.

Pratt urges all homeowners to have an annual inspection performed on their heating systems, including gas pipes. He said those with copper gas pipes should consider replacing them.

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# Sue is still in stitches after 25 years

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

Sue Louchart, owner of Stitches by Sue, has been in business for 25 years. She got started when her husband, Ken, asked her to sew the insignia on his National Guard uniforms. Then a friend, Earl Whaley, asked her to put the insignia on his

uniforms. Soon, by word of mouth, she was unofficially in business. Shortly thereafter, she started Stitches by Sue.

Although she has done work on civilian clothes, she prefers to work on military uniforms. In addition to working with the National Guard she also works with the Army, Air

Force, Navy, Coast Guard, Seabees, the Civilian Air Patrol, and Camp Lehman uniforms. While much of her business is from customers bringing their uniforms to her house, she also does the military sewing for both Wagon Wheel Laundromat and Riverland Dry Cleaning.



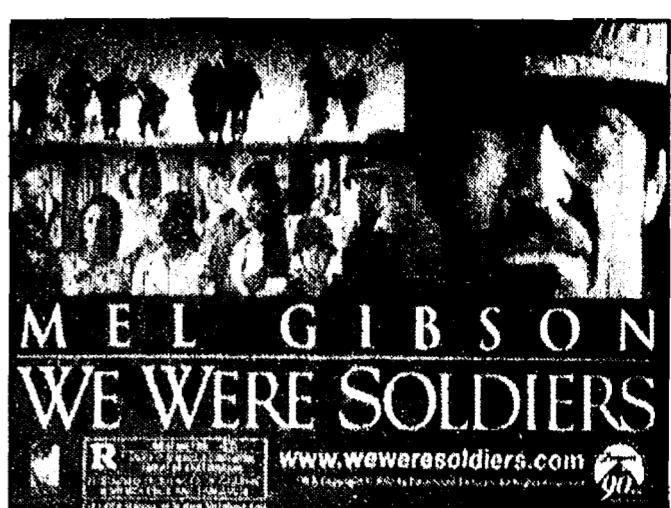
Photo by Sue Warrington  
Sue Louchart, nicknamed "Sergeant" by her many longtime customers, attaches a patch to a Battle Dress Uniform (BDU). Louchart said she takes great pride in applying military insignias according to code and corrects those who have erred, making her nickname quite appropriate.

Due to high demand since September 11, she has worked almost exclusively on military uniforms. She said although she doesn't travel very much, her stitches do, having been to Germany, Bosnia, Afghanistan, and Latvia, among other places. Her work has also been to two Olympics, Atlanta and Salt Lake City. She also worked on the dress blue uniform U.S. Navy veteran Art Thayer wore for the ceremony de-commissioning the submarine, USS Grayling.

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## OBITUARIES

**Kermit A. LaMotte**

**May 19, 1916 - March 30, 2002**  
Kermit Alber LaMotte, age 85 of Grayling, died March 30 at the Grayling Nursing Centre. He was born in Grayling to John A. and Blanche I. (Maxson) LaMotte on May 19, 1916. He lived all of his life in Grayling.

Mr. LaMotte worked in the laundry room of Mercy Hospital. He was a member of the Crawford County Sheriff Reserves. He served in the United States Coast Guard on the C.W. Galloway as a "Porter." He joined the Coast Guard March 24, 1948 and was discharged October 1, 1952. Mr. LaMotte loved wildlife.

He is survived by numerous cousins.

A memorial service will be held on April 8, at Sorenson Funeral Home with Reverend Joseph Carpenter officiating. Burial will be at Albert Township Cemetery in Lewiston.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Tyler Joseph Harding**

**March 28, 2002**

Tyler Joseph Harding, infant son of Jamie Lee Bourrie and Dale Edson Harding passed away shortly after birth on Thursday, March 28, at Mercy Hospital.

Graveside services will be held at Elmwood Cemetery later in the Spring.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Zephia Holzman**

**June 23, 1906 - March 31, 2002**

Zephia Holzman, 95, of Grayling, died Sunday, March 31, at Mercy Hospital. Private graveside services will be held.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Randy A. Reed**

**Nov. 10, 1953 - March 28, 2002**

Randy Arlan Reed, age 48, died on Thursday, March 28, at Mercy Hospital. He was born on November 10, 1953 in Yakima, Washington to Keith Arlee Reed, deceased, and Mary Frances Tindall, living.

Mr. Reed, a resident of Grayling since 1965 worked for several years at Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord as substance abuse inpatient counselor.

He was a Martial Arts instructor, with a black belt in Tai Kwon Do. He played in a couple of local bands, playing guitar and singing. He was an avid golfer and a wonderful father.

He is survived by one daughter: Jamie Arlan (Bill Antcliff) Reed, mother: Mary ("Bud" Duane) Hamblin, three brothers: Rick, Duane (Darlene) Hamblin, of Grayling and Eugene (Sherri) Ruffin of Jonesville, Wisconsin, one step-grandchild: Natascha Antcliff, also of Grayling.

He leaves behind seven nieces and nephews: Shilee (Josh) Taylor of Gaylord, Bridgette Reed, Aleshia Hamblin, and Miranda Millikin of Grayling, Michael Millikin of Prescott and Christopher, Jacob, and Jennifer Ruffin.

Memorial services are scheduled for Wednesday, April 3, at Sorenson Funeral Home at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Wayne Knockel officiating.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Loretta McDonnell**

**Dingman**

**March 30, 2002**

Loretta McDonnell Dingman passed away March 30, at the age of 96. She was born in Bay City and was the daughter of former Postmaster and Mrs. James McDonnell.

She was educated in the Grayling schools and Central Michigan University. She taught in the Eldorado Schools, Fenton and Dearborn Vista Maria. She married Joseph A. Dingman in 1927.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Joseph, and brothers Arthur, Clayton and Lawrence McDonnell.

She is survived by her three children: Valto (Tom) Trainer, Robert (Janet) and Robert (Diane), twelve grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister Elaine Holmgren and a brother Herbert Lee (Bud) McDonnell.

Burial was in the Forest Lawn Memorial Parks Cemetery, Detroit.

**Barbara C. Hazen**

**March 29, 2002**

Barbara C. Hazen, age 67 of Grayling, died Friday, March 29 in her home in Grayling. Private services will be held later in the spring.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**William Cross**

**June 13, 1937 - March 31, 2002**

Bill Cross of Higgins Lake passed away Easter Sunday at the Mayo Hospital in Scottsdale, Arizona after losing his battle with lung cancer.

Born June 13, 1937 to Howard and Gertrude (Coggins) Cross of Pinconning, he was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather who enjoyed life to the fullest.

He married Betty Courier at St. Michael's in Pinconning in 1957. He was co-owner of Bill and Joe's Friendly Service in Pinconning. In 1964 he and the family moved to Saginaw where he owned several service stations. Moving to northern Michigan in 1977, he and Betty built a convenience store in Frederic. Over the next 22 years he and Betty owned the Wagon Wheel Laundromat in Grayling and Cross' Lakeside Market in Higgins Lake before retiring.

He enjoyed traveling and cherished the four summers he and Betty spent in Alaska along with the many family vacations covering all 50 states. He will be sadly missed by those who had the privilege of knowing him.

He is survived by Betty, his wife of 44 years; six children, Tom (Tenely) of Ludington, Ann (Carl) Wallace of Kalkaska, John of Manton, Mary, Scott (Renee), and Darlene Vermillion of Higgins Lake; 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Patricia Beisel of Saginaw and Kathleen (Larry) Obermiller of Bay City, along with many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, mother, and two sisters, Betty Trudell and Jean Schmidt.

A memorial service will be held at St. Hubert's Catholic Church in Higgins Lake on Saturday, April 13th at 11 a.m.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society.

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## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during April 3 through April 9 is as follows:

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates and times:

April 4 and April 5 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.; April 6 from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m.; April 7 and April 9 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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April 5 - 9 from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m.

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April 6 and April 7 from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m.

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April 8 and April 9 from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m.

The Portage Creek Road Bridge, located west of Howe Road, in South Camp is closed for construction.

For further information call 1-800-628-5820.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

The Crawford County Sheriff Department handled the following 101 complaints the week of March 25-31:

Thirteen traffic accidents, one non-traffic accidents, one traffic safety public appearance, five liquor license inspections, two civil matter disputes - family trouble, five suspicious situations, one lost and found property, one general assistance, 13 general non-criminal, one structure fire, two delinquent minors, two false alarm activations, two assault/intimidation/stalking, four burglary/home invasion, five larceny, one fraudulent activities, one stolen property, six damage to property, 10 public/disorderly, three OUIL/UBAL, 11 health and safety, two miscellaneous criminal offense, seven miscellaneous arrests, one driving violations/DWLS etc.

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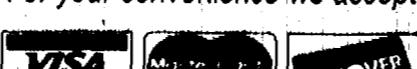
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## Wrestling teams finish '02 season

### Two GMS wrestlers end year with unbeaten records

The Grayling Middle School wrestling team recently ended its 2002 season with a meet at Standish Sterling Central. Grayling's wrestlers competed against athletes from 27 other teams at the March 23 event.

Joel Wilson and Jeff Bancroft both finished first in their divisions and completed undefeated seasons. Wilson posted a 15-0 record this year, and Bancroft finished at 10-0.

Josh Partello took first place at Standish and finished the year with a 14-1 record. Troy Wilson placed first, finishing at 15-3, and Daniel CdeBaca ended his season with an 8-3 record with a first place finish at SSC.

Other Grayling placements and final win/loss records included: Bill Stewart, 2nd place, 9-4; Matt Larson, 3rd place, 8-5; Corey Metzer, 3rd place, 12-3; Cory Shear, 4th place, 10-6.

#### Joel Wilson (1), 15-0



Joel Wilson (far left) placed 1st at the March 23 meet at Standish Sterling Central and finished the season undefeated at 15-0

#### Jeff Bancroft (1), 10-0; Corey Metzer (3), 12-3



Jeff Bancroft (left) placed 1st at Standish and finished the season undefeated at 10-0; Corey Metzer (right) finished 3rd at SSC and posted a 12-3 season record

#### Bill Stewart (2), 9-4; Matt Larson (3), 8-5



Bill Stewart (second from left) placed 2nd at Standish and finished the season at 9-4; Matt Larson (second from right) finished 3rd and had an 8-5 season record

(Note: For more on GMS wrestling, see Page 2B.)

#### Zach Wolcott (1), 21-0; Austin Harris (3), 18-3



Zach Wolcott (far left) placed 1st at the GRA wrestling team's March 23 meet at Standish Sterling Central and finished the season undefeated at 15-0; Austin Harris (second from right) placed 3rd at SSC and ended the year at 18-3

## Ten GRA team wrestlers place at year's final meet

On Saturday, March 23, the Grayling Recreation Authority wrestling team competed at Standish Sterling Central against squads from 27 other communities in the final wrestling meet of the year.

Zach Wolcott took first place for Grayling and ended his season with a perfect 21-0 win/loss record. Daniel DuVall also placed first for Grayling. DuVall

finished the year with a 17-4 record.

Other Grayling placements and final win/loss records included: Luke Schneider, 2nd place, 13-5; Joey Contreras, 2nd place, 15-5; Zak Mack, 3rd place, 15-3; Shayla Grove, 3rd place, 6-12; Austin Harris, 3rd place, 18-3; Derek Babbitt, 3rd place, 7-5; Doug Gothro, 4th place, 7-4; Cody Elmy, 4th place, 10-11.

#### Daniel DuVall (1), 17-4



Daniel DuVall (far left) took 1st at Standish and finished the season at 17-4

#### Luke Schneider (2), 13-5



Luke Schneider (second from left) placed 2nd at Standish and finished the season at 13-5

(Note: For more on GRA wrestling, see Page 4B.)

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## GMS wrestling team ends '02 season

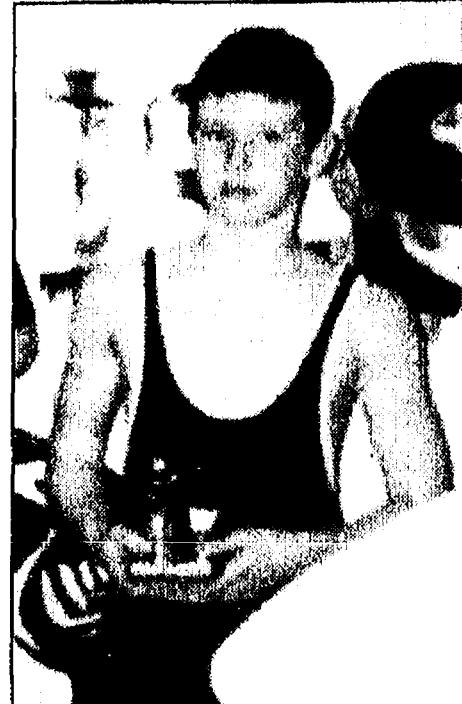
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Troy Wilson (left) placed 1st at the last meet of the season for the GMS wrestling team. He finished the year with a 15-3 record.



Daniel CdeBaca took 1st at Standish and finished the year at 8-3.



Cory Shear finished 4th at SSC and ended the season at 10-6.



Josh Partello placed 1st at Standish and posted a 14-1 season record this year.

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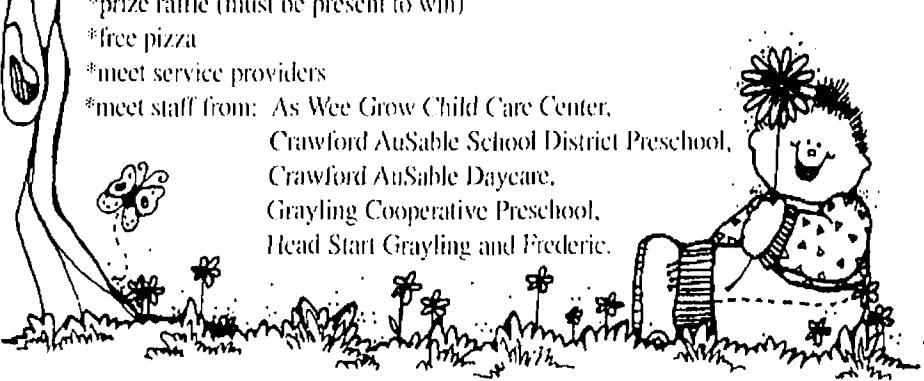
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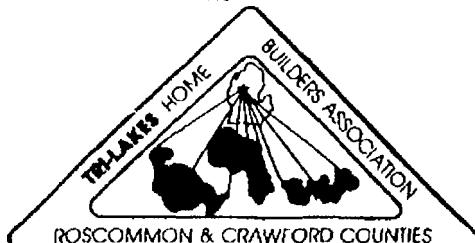


## BOWLING LEAGUE

	Seniors
Millikin's	63.5 - 48.5
Glen's Market	63.5 - 48.5
Custom Interior	59 - 53
Woody Girl's	58.5 - 53.5
Aunt Betty's	58.5 - 53.5
Skyline Ski & C.C.	58.5 - 53.5
McDonald's of Grayling	58.5 - 53.5
Scheer Motors	58.5 - 53.5
Rochette's	58.5 - 53.5
Mickey Perez CPA	58.5 - 53.5
Gale Enterprises	58.5 - 53.5
Peterson Saw Service	58.5 - 53.5
Chicken Little Joint Pro.	58.5 - 53.5
High Series: L. Dollar	57.5
Hinds, 518; D. Armstrong, 516.	57.5
High Game: L. Dollar, 220; K. McLain and P. Terry, 201.	57.5
Miller's Production	52
High Series: J. Thayer, 608; T. Sheldon, 582; J. Barton, 580.	52
High Game: P. Miller, 241; T. Sheldon, 236; S. Miller, 227.	52
	Northwood
Riverland	52
Corky's Karaoke	52
R. Calkins and Sons.	52
Plaza Bar	52
Hart Pontiac-GMC	52
R & M Masonry	52
N. Michigan Financial	52
Hometown	52
High Series: C. Jones, 599; T. Parker, 546; S. Johnson, 541.	52
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Hellebuyck Masonry	51 - 33
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## YOUTH BOWLING

	Seniors
Starfish	13-17
Dolphins	12-18
Snails	10-20
Shrimps	05-25
Boys High Game and Series: E. Helsel, 62; M. Holton, 45; D. Miller, 24.	Boys High Game: J. Helsel, 117; C. Davis, 113; J. Richardson, 97.
Girls High Game and Series: C. Johnson, 56; K. Helsel, 47.	Boys High Series: J. Helsel, 221; C. Davis, 215; B. Coe, 153.
Pee Wee League	Girls High Game: S. Miller, 82; T. Pelkey, 78; L. Johnson, 68.
Hawaiian Punch	Girls High Series: S. Miller, 164; T. Pelkey, 130; A. Helsel, 125.
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## Two Vikings named all-league



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## GRAYLING BAND

- DISTRICT BAND FESTIVALS - Grayling High School and Grayling Middle School Bands both received excellent ratings at recent District Band Festivals.

On Saturday, February 23, the GHS Band performed three music selections of various styles for judges in Elk Rapids at Districts. The ensemble received straight "A" grades from all judges, leading to a unanimous First Division Rating. The next big event for the GHS band will be their trip to Chicago, April 26-28, where they will have a clinic with the Director of Bands at VanderCook College.

On Saturday, March 2, the 7th and 8th grade bands from GMS performed at District Band Festival

in Elk Rapids. Both groups had a successful day with overall "B+" grades from the judges.

MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND DAY - Grayling bands hosted the first annual Middle School Honor Band Day and concert on Wednesday, March 6. Twenty-three schools from all over Northern Michigan participated in this event. Twenty-eight band directors from these participating schools nominated four students to become members of this honors group. After a full day of rehearsing, with guest conductor Cindy Swan-Eagan from Manistee, the 112 middle school students performed that evening.

Grayling students Austin Andrus, Mike Hoag, Christi

Schmidt, Tequila Reynolds, Jessica Banda, Ashley Jurkovich, Nick Fitzpatrick, and Bob Ramaswamy were all nominated for this prestigious ensemble.

STATE SOLO & ENSEMBLE (High School) - Grayling band entered 30 events at State Solo & Ensemble at Central Michigan University on Saturday, March 23, all of which qualified for the event by performing at the district level. Out of those 30 events performing, 25 earned first division ratings and 5 earned second division ratings.

Grayling soloists Kip Franklin, Jason Henning and Ken Heinlein were nominated for the Youth Arts Solo Competition. The GHS Saxophone Quartet (Todd Gaffke, Becky Ramaswamy, Nick

Henning, Jason Henning) and the GHS Brass Quintet (Ann Hughes, Will Brewer, Apryl Rugenstein, Alexis Sumner, Ken Heinlein) were nominated for the Youth Arts Ensemble Competition. Soloists Jason Henning, Ann Hughes and Alexis Sumner were nominated for the Youth Arts Honors Band. All participants in Youth Arts events have to be nominated by their judges at State Solo & Ensemble.

UPCOMING BAND PERFORMANCES:

April 20 - GMS Solo & Ensemble in Kalkaska;

May 15 - GHS Spring Concert in Joseph Stripe Auditorium;

May 21 - GMS Spring Concert in Grayling Middle School Gymnasium.



Middle School Honors Band nominees from GMS: (front row, left to right) Ashley Jurkovich, Jessica Banda, Bob Ramaswamy, Nick Fitzpatrick; (back row, left to right) Austin Andrus, Tequila Reynolds, Christi Reynolds, Mike Hoag.



Photos courtesy of Grayling Band  
Youth Arts nominees from the Grayling High School Band: (front row, left to right) Kip Franklin, Nick Henning, Todd Gaffke, Becky Ramaswamy, Jason Henning; (back row, left to right) Ann Hughes, Will Brewer, Ken Heinlein, Coleman Payne, Apryl Rugenstein, Alexis Sumner.

## HONORS

Part-time area resident Stephen Cohen recently won the shot put competition in the 60-64 age group at the National Masters' Track and Field Championships. His winning distance was almost a meter better than his closest competition.

Cohen's gold medal performance coming in the fourth year in his age group was particularly satisfying, he said.

In college, Cohen was the Harvard University record holder and won a NCAA medal in shot put.

His victory at the National Masters was his 7th gold medal performance of the 2002 indoor track and field season, which includes wins at the Illinois, Michigan, and Midwest Regional Masters' Championships.

Cohen currently resides in Northbrook, Illinois.

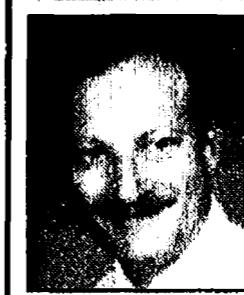
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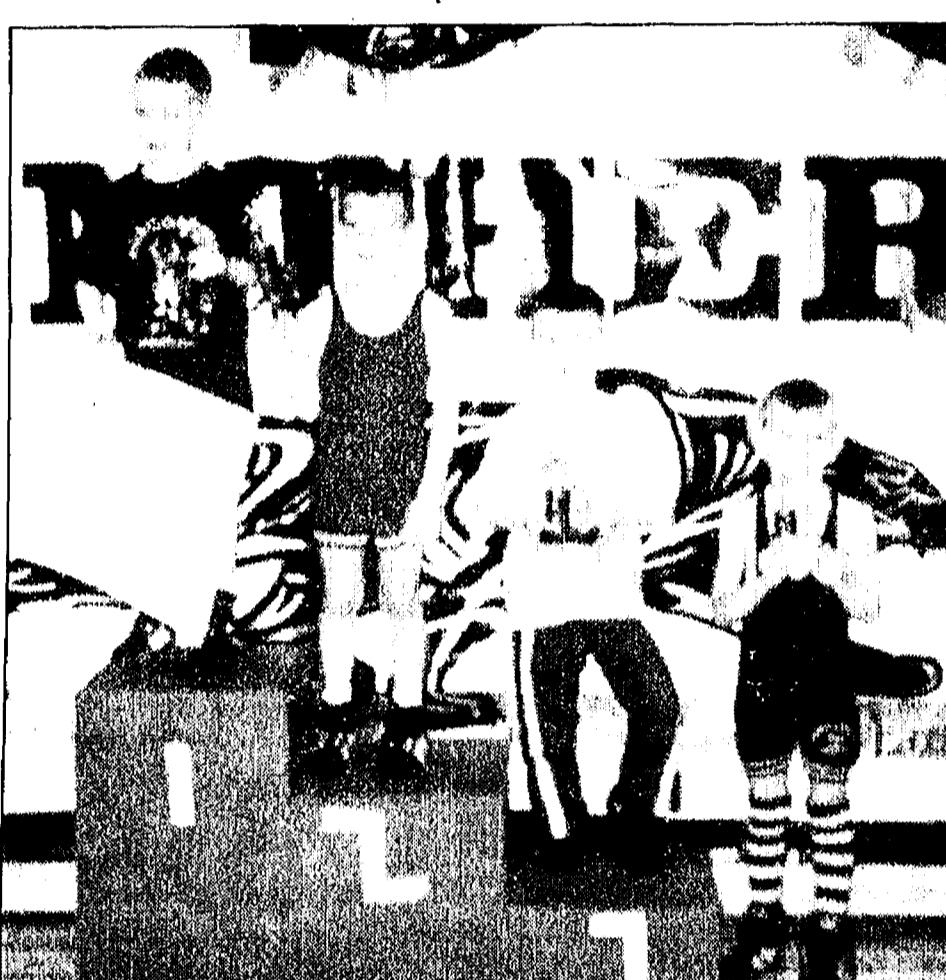
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Doug Gothro (center) placed 4th at the GRA wrestling team's last meet of the year at Standish on March 23



Shayla Grove (right) finished 3rd at SSC in the team's last meet of the 2002 season



Zak Mack (second from right) took 3rd at Standish and posted a 15-3 season record this year



Cody Elmy (far right) placed 4th at Standish

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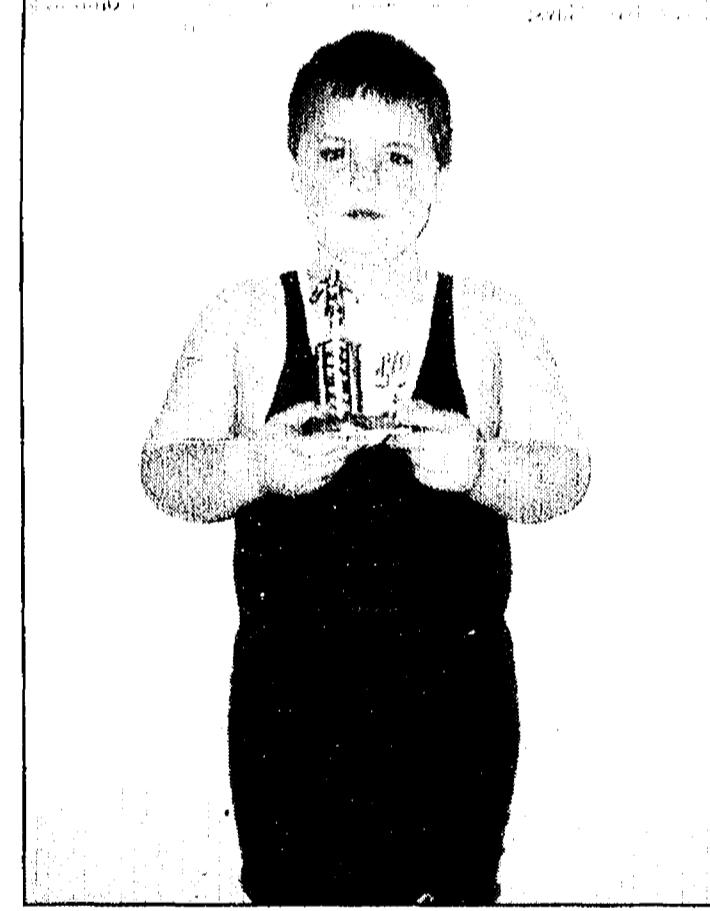
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Derek Babbitt took 3rd at Standish



Joey Contreras placed 2nd at SSC and finished the year at 15-5

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AS A DEBT COLLECTOR WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-5459 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having

been made in the terms and conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Bill Prescott, single person of Crawford County, Michigan. Mortgagor to Flagstar Bank, FSB dated the 4th day of August A.D. 2000, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 16th day of August, A.D. 2000, in Liber 515 of Crawford Records, on page 2,38, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$123,060.05 (one hundred twenty three thousand sixty dollars and five cents) including interest there on at 11.62% (eleven point sixty two) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 1st day of May, A.D. 2002, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of South Branch, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, described as Commencing at the Southeast Corner of said Section 20 for a Point of Beginning; Thence North 89 degrees 26 Minutes 00 Seconds West on the Section Line, 237.00 Feet; Thence North 00 degrees 02 Minutes 00 Seconds East, 300.00 feet; Thence South 89 Degrees 26 Minutes 00 Seconds East, 239.10 feet; Thence South 00 Degrees 24 Minutes 00 Seconds West on Section Line, 300.00 Feet to the Point of Beginning.

Tax ID: 062-020-016-040-07

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 28, 2002  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.

By: Daniel E. Best (P-58501)  
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee

Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A.

755 W. Big Beaver Rd., Ste. 310

Troy, MI 48084

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate File No. 02-6417-DE**

Estate of Rama L. Stimpson, date of birth November 23, 1918.  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**

The decedent, Frances Jo Bonham a/k/a Frances J. Bonham a/k/a Frances Bonham, who lived at 10693 Scenic Way, Roscommon, Michigan, died February 3, 2002.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Dawn E. Diebel, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 03/04/2002

Dawn E. Diebel

auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on May 1, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., local time, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan which is the location of the Crawford County Circuit Court. The property will be sold pay the amount then due on the Mortgages, including interest at the rate of 7.25% per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagor before the sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and is more specifically described in the Mortgages as:

Lot 18, Red Wing Terrace, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 04 of Plats, Page 22, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is deemed to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a in which case the redemption period will expire thirty (30) days from the date of the sale.

Dated: March 28, 2002

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Acting Through the Rural Development Agency, F/VKA the Farmers Home Administration, of the United States Department of Agriculture.**

Prepared by:  
John R. Tucker (P37346)  
Winegarden, Haley, Lindholm & Robertson, P.L.C.  
9-9460 S. Saginaw Street, Suite A  
Grand Blanc, Michigan 48433  
(810) 767-3600

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### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Notice is hereby given the Default has occurred in the following Mortgages given to the United States of America, acting through the United States Department of Agriculture:

1. Mortgage given by Bonnie S. Barnes dated October 25, 1994 and recorded on October 25, 1994 in Liber 385 on pages 318 through 321 of the Crawford County Records and;

2. Mortgage given by Delmar E. Gasser and Tina M. Avery dated July 11, 1996 and recorded on July 16, 1996 in Liber 414 on pages 498, through 501 of the Crawford County Records.

No proceeding have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is now Forty Nine Thousand One Hundred Twenty Three and 23/100 (\$49,123.23) Dollars.

The Mortgages will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public

### PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance Update  
6:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, 2002  
Grayling Township Hall  
2090 Viking Way (M-72)

A public hearing of the Grayling Township Planning Commission has been scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, 2002 at the Grayling Township Hall. The purpose of the hearing is to accept comments on the proposed update to the Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance.

All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and comment on the draft ordinance, which is available for inspection by contacting the township office at 989-348-4361. The township office hours are 8:30-4:30 Monday through Friday. Written comments may be addressed to Grayling Township Planning Commission, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738-0521 and should be received prior to the public hearing.

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# LEGAL ACTION

## NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED:

The Owner or Owners of any and all interest in, or Liens upon, the Lands herein described, and to Theresa Stempkowski (aka Theresa A. Stempkowski) and to her unknown Husband, owners of last recorded title according to the Crawford County records, and to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, including those who are legally incompetent to act in their own behalf.

**TAKE NOTICE:** Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50 percent in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of summons upon commencement of an action, without other additional cost of charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:** State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Beaver Creek, Town 25 North Range 4 West, Section 24, Parcel E; Part of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 24, 2.60 acres  
Parcel Number: 20-050-051-024-10-020-04 100%

**DEED NUMBER:** 63  
**TAX FOR YEAR:** 1996  
**AMOUNT PAID:** \$111.99  
**AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM:** \$167.99 (plus sheriff fees)  
(signed) Farm and Forest Enterprises DBA of Collin K. Burnett  
P.O. Box 784  
Saline MI 48176

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was unaware that his signature was on record as his employer's agent but not on his personal Whirlpool Road frontage. Mr. Gardner's signature establishes the 51% of frontage property owners required on the petition whether or not Mr. Beckett's petition is eventually received.

Under Public Act 188 of 1954 (MCLA 41.721 et seq.), Grayling Township has the obligation of investigating the establishment of such an assessment district. If approved all costs for paving Whirlpool Road would be forwarded by the township, then collected back from eligible property owners over a period of five years. The assessment would be included on annual winter tax statements. The assessment would include a one percent administrative fee.

From the previous hearing (January 2, 2002) we know that neither Michigan State University (WaWaSum), nor the Michigan Department of Natural Resources can be assessed for their lands which border Whirlpool. On January 25, 2002, township legal counsel issued the opinion that residents on Richardson Road should not be assessed without a direct property value benefit which exceeds the amount of individual payments for work on Whirlpool Road. To determine true monetary benefit, if any, for these properties, would be lengthy and expensive undertaking.

The cost estimate for this project is \$157,946.15. Grayling Township and the Crawford County Road Commission intend to budget approximately 50% of that amount leaving an estimated \$90,500.00 to be Special Assessed among 36 owners of 48 parcels.

Correspondence from the following property owners was read and placed on file: Robert Krause, Snow Rd., in favor. David Cozad, Snow Rd., against. Kathleen Trier and Gloria Monk, Shadowland Rd., against. James Autiof, Snow Rd., in favor. Lewis Bird, W Park Dr., in favor. Bailey Lewis, against.

No persons spoke in opposition to the proposed project.

Persons speaking in favor or with questions: Teresa and Jamie Bartley, Joel Money, Betty Haslem, in favor.

Pictures of the pothole and washboard and often flooded and other times dusty conditions were shown.

Citizens were instructed that the township board approves creation of a special assessment district then the supervisor will be authorized to draw the assessment roll. Mr. Wright stated he would calculate various formulas and those present at the public hearing of the assessment roll would have the opportunity of commenting on which method they prefer.

Motion by Ashton, second by Ashton, to close public hearing and return to regular session. All ayes. (7:28 p.m.)

Motion by O'Mara, second by Annis, to resolve to create a Special Assessment District to defray the costs of blacktopping Whirlpool Road, Sec 1 and 12, T26N, R3W. Also, to instruct supervisor to draw the tentative assessment roll to be presented at public hearing beginning at 6:00 p.m., on March 13, 2002, in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall. Ayes: five, Nays: none, motion carried.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Hall, second by O'Mara, to approve minutes of January 9, 2002, as presented. All ayes.

Treasurer's Report for January was read and placed on file.

Correspondence: (No action required) Recycling Report, Year end report on woods/water cleanup program, 911 Report for Jan 02, Letter from Sheriff Lovely, Chamber News for February 02.

Citizens who wish to speak: Jerry Hayes announced that he will be a candidate for the State Representative for 106th District on the August Primary ballot.

Business:

1. Firewise Team-Chief Duane Brooks,

\$25,000 in grant funds are available to residents for assistance in making homes wildfire wise. See Avalanche for details. Applications available at the Township Hall, May 1, 2002 filing deadline.

2. Dixie Lobsinger was present on behalf of the Animal Shelter for Crawford County. The Board is requesting assistance in finishing proposed cat shelter and defraying the deficit from last year. Consensus of the Board to contact M.T.A. legal counsel regarding legal ways to help the animal shelter financially.

3. The Building Department has received a request from the City of Grayling to perform building permit and inspection services.

Consensus of the board to allow Joe Ferrigan to draft a proposal for review by the City and Township.

4. Motion by Annis, second by Hall, to authorize split of lot 10 of Millkin's North River Subdivision, according to the provisions of Grayling Township Lot Split Ordinance. A survey and recorded deed must be granted to back parcel. Ayes: five, nays, none, motion carried. (Current property owner: Garrett Bailey)

5. Motion by Ashton, second by Hall, to authorize letter of support along with pledge of \$10,000, grant matching funds of NEM-COG "Link Michigan" high speed telecommunications grant application. All ayes, motion carried.

6. Motion by Annis, second by O'Mara, to approve payment of claims on vouchers 23455-23527, Bd. and Comm. fees \$210.00, Guardian Dental \$618.48, Liquor inspections \$180.00, for a grand total of \$39,633.15. Ayes, five, Nays, none, motion carried.

7. Motion to adjourn by Annis, carried. All ayes.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.  
Grayling Township Clerk

submit a proposal to the City.

b. Police Department Grievance.

02-50 Moved by Mosher, supported by Hayes to sign the letter of understanding between the City of Grayling and The Fraternal Order of Police Grayling Unit regarding holidays. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

c. Income Tax Update. Much discussion was held regarding the income tax. As this has been discussed at many meetings Mr. Banda felt a vote should be made at this meeting.

02-51

Moved by Hayes, supported by Banda to cut the income tax in half retroactive to January 1, 2002. Roll call vote: Ayes: Hayes, Mosher, Banda, Nays: Wyman, Absent: Awiszus, motion carried.

d. Assessor Contract.

02-52

Moved by Banda, supported by Mosher to approve the Assessor Contract as presented for 2002-2003. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

New Business.

a. Crawford County Road Commission Permit.

02-53

Moved by Banda, supported by Mosher to renew the sewer discharge agreement with Crawford County Road Commission for up to 5 (five) years. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

b. Grayling Township Letter.

Karl Schreiner and Kirk Wakefield spoke to Council regarding the letter from Terry Wright asking for the County to deputize all officers from the City of Grayling Police Department so they can respond to emergencies outside of the city limits.

Citizens who wish to speak.

a. Mr. Wellman spoke to Council about the ice skating rink. It is officially closed for the season due to the weather.

Reports from ZBA, Planning Committee, Parks Committee.

a. The Planning Commission is working on sign ordinance.

b. The Parks Committee is working on equipment for playground, lighting, tree planting, boardwalk, etc.

Reports from Manager & Council Members.

City Manager Reports

a. Small Town Design Initiative that Michigan State is involved in. City Manager will bring more information to Council regarding the program.

b. M.M.I. Conference on March 20, 2002. City Manager will attend if Council wishes him to. The Council left the decision to the Manager.

c. Lease on the current City Hall. Will talk with Randy Thompson regarding a longer term.

d. Railroad ROW. The City will be able to purchase a 66' piece of land extending south from the court house parking lot.

e. Discussions have been held with the County regarding buying salt from them next year and not building a salt storage shed at the city garage. The Road Commission has agreed for the City to store salt in their shed.

02-54

Moved by Banda, supported by Hayes to reject all bids on the Salt Storage building that were opened on February 20, 2202. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

Council Member Reports

a. Mr. Hayes asked if a letter had been sent to Progressive A&L stating that the dam does not belong to the City of Grayling.

b. Mr. Wyman met with Mr. Myers on the survey of the park. Mr. Myers will be surveying the south end of the park this spring.

c. Mr. Mosher asked about the outcome of the survey, what was happening.

d. Mr. Wyman asked about Mr. Cook's concern at the corner of Norway and M-72 West. City Manager and Police Chief have looked at it. They will be able to tell more when spring is here. Also the city does not

Old Business.

a. Building Update: Mr. Mosher gave an update on the meeting with Ken Richmond on the new building plans. Ken Richmond will

## RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

### Meeting held on the 11th day of March 2002 Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Wyman at 7:30 P.M.

Members Present: Hayes, Mosher, Banda, Wyman.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Teresa and Jamie Bartley, Jerry Hayes, Ed and Marge Martella, George Wolfe, Dixie Lobsinger, Dale French, Cheryl A. Riley, Joe Ferrigan, John Gardner.

Supervisor Wright opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by O'Mara, second by Ashton, to recess regular meeting and open Public Hearing for Whirlpool Road Special Assessment District for Paving. Ayes: five, Nays: none, motion carried.

Supervisor opened the Public Hearing to determine the necessity of requested improvement (blacktopping) of Whirlpool Road, Sections 1 and 12, T26N, R3W.

Supervisor Wright was notified subsequent to the January 9, 2002 meeting that McKinley Beckett has signed the petition, however, it has not been received by the township at this date. His 650 feet of frontage establishes the 51% required to proceed.

John (Kevin) Gardner's signature was added to the petition at the hearing. Mr. Gardner has 650 feet of frontage, was present and in favor at the previous hearing, but

he was not present at the hearing.

Business:

1. Firewise Team-Chief Duane Brooks,

2. Crawford-AuSable Schools

3. Grayling High School

4. Renovation/Additions Project

5. Crawford County, Michigan

Crawford-AuSable Schools will receive sealed bids until a 3:00 p.m. bid opening on Tuesday, May 7, 2002 at the Media Center of Grayling High School, 1135 Old 27 North, Grayling, Michigan 49738, for the following:

The project work consists of Renovations and additions to Grayling High School.

The instructions to Bidders and the drawings and specifications may be examined at the following locations:

Board of Public Health for the

District Health Department #10

March 28, 2002

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT #10 PROPOSED NEW SANITARY HEALTH CODE

Notice is hereby given that on **Tuesday, April 30, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.**, the Board of Public Health for the District Health Department #10 will hold a Public hearing in the "Meeting Room" at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library located at 201 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738, concerning the proposed new Sanitary Code (proposed to become effective on October 1, 2002). A copy of the proposed new Sanitary Code may be reviewed or purchased at the Crawford County Office, of District Health Department #10 located at 202 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI, Monday thru Friday during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30.

All interested persons may attend the public meeting and be heard with regard to the proposed new Sanitary Code. Written comments may be submitted to the local health department at the above address.

Board of Public Health for the

District Health Department #10

March 28, 2002

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford County Road Commission will receive sealed bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting which commences at 10:00 a.m.) on Thursday, April 11, 2002, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-00648, for the following items:

### Slope Control Automation For Caterpillar Motorgrader

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Crawford County Road Commission at the above address.

Submit bids in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked with the words: "Motorgrader Slope Control". The Crawford County Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners  
Thomas Perry, Chairman  
John Hartman, Vice-President  
Ken Riehle, Commissioner

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have a contract with Bull-Dog Towing, citizens can choose who they wish to tow their car.

e. Mr. Wyman feels Council needs to discuss the Mission Statement at one of the upcoming meetings.

Adjournment.

02-55

Moved by Banda, supported by Mosher that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 4, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 1, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Kay Ellen King

Scheer Motors

JC Penney

Sylvesters Sports  
& Wimpy's

PC Computer

Jansen Insurance  
AgencyMcLean's Ace  
HardwareWendy's of  
Grayling

Fick &amp; Sons

Charlie's Country  
Corner

Arby's

Super 8 Motel

Little Caesars

Moore's  
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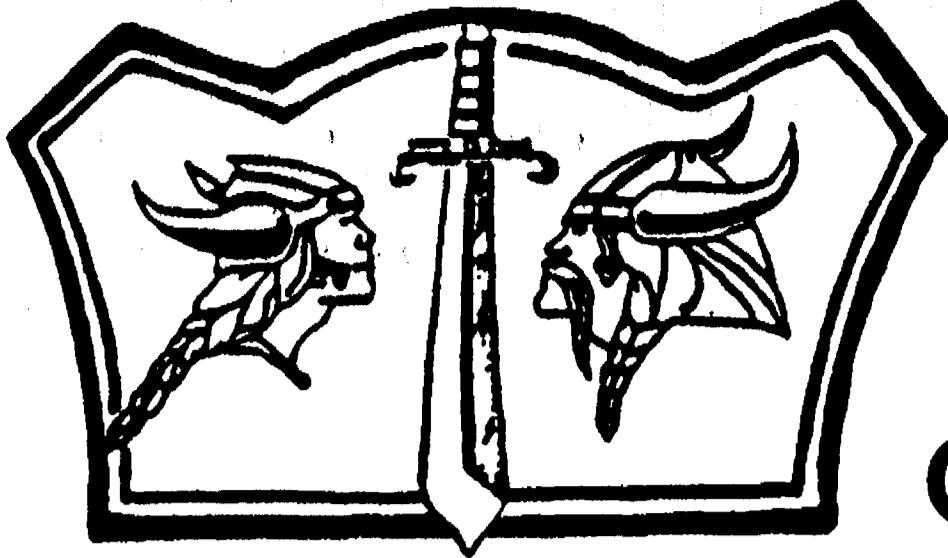
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Grand Traverse  
AllergyBoards &  
Beyond

Chemical Bank

Ferrellgas

Northland Credit  
UnionSuperior Janitorial  
Services

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## Grayling Vikings Varsity Baseball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	April 10, 2002	Boyne City	H	4:00	
Friday	April 12, 2002	Kalkaska	A	4:15	2:45
Tuesday	April 16, 2002	Houghton Lake	H	4:00	
Thursday	April 18, 2002	Roscommon	H	4:00	
Tuesday	April 23, 2002	Oscoda	H	4:00	
Friday	April 26, 2002	Standish Sterling	A	4:00	1:45
Monday	April 29, 2002	Gaylord	H	4:00	
Tuesday	April 30, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	A	4:00	1:30
Friday	May 3, 2002	Petoskey	H	4:30	
Tuesday	May 7, 2002	Gladwin	H	4:00	
Friday	May 10, 2002	Pinconning	H	4:00	
Tuesday	May 14, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	A	4:00	2:00
Wednesday	May 15, 2002	Kalkaska	H	4:15	
Friday	May 17, 2002	Tawas	A	4:00	1:30
Tuesday	May 21, 2002	Gaylord	A	4:00	2:45
Thursday	May 23, 2002	Lake City	A	4:30	2:45

## Grayling Vi Junior Varsity

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Wednesday	April 10, 2002	Boyne City	4:00
Friday	April 12, 2002	Kalkaska	4:15
Tuesday	April 16, 2002	Houghton Lake	4:00
Thursday	April 18, 2002	Roscommon	4:00
Tuesday	April 23, 2002	Oscoda	4:00
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Monday	April 29, 2002	Gaylord	4:00
Tuesday	April 30, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	4:00
Friday	May 3, 2002	Petoskey	4:30
Tuesday	May 7, 2002	Gladwin	4:00
Friday	May 10, 2002	Pinconning	4:00
Tuesday	May 14, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	4:00
Wednesday	May 15, 2002	Kalkaska	4:15
Friday	May 17, 2002	Tawas	4:00
Tuesday	May 21, 2002	Gaylord	4:00
Thursday	May 23, 2002	Lake City	4:30

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Wednesday	April 10, 2002	Boyne City	A	4:00	2:15
Friday	April 12, 2002	Kalkaska	H	4:15	
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Thursday	April 18, 2002	Roscommon	A	4:00	2:45
Tuesday	April 23, 2002	Oscoda	A	4:00	1:30
Friday	April 26, 2002	Standish Sterling	H	4:00	
Monday	April 29, 2002	Gaylord	A	4:00	2:45
Tuesday	April 30, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	H	4:00	
Friday	May 3, 2002	Petoskey	A	4:30	2:30
Tuesday	May 7, 2002	Gladwin	A	4:00	2:15
Friday	May 10, 2002	Pinconning	A	4:00	2:00
Tuesday	May 14, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	H	4:00	
Friday	May 17, 2002	Tawas	H	4:00	
Tuesday	May 21, 2002	Gaylord	H	4:00	
Thursday	May 23, 2002	Lake City	H	4:00	

## Grayling Vi Girls Go

Day	Date	Opponent	Time
Monday	(April 15, 2002)	Petoskey	4:00
Thursday	(April 18, 2002)	Alpena	4:00
Monday	April 22, 2002	Newberry	4:00
Wednesday	April 24, 2002	Traverse City West	4:00
Tuesday	April 30, 2002	Hillman	4:00
Wednesday	May 1, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	4:00
Monday	May 6, 2002	Newberry	4:00
Wednesday	May 8, 2002	Traverse City West	4:00
Thursday	May 9, 2002	Petoskey Invitational	4:00
Monday	May 13, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	4:00
Tuesday	May 14, 2002	Alpena	4:00
Wednesday	May 15, 2002	Petoskey	4:00
Friday	May 17, 2002	Regionals	4:00

## Grayling Vikings Varsity Softball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	April 10, 2002	Boyne City	H	4:00	
Friday	April 12, 2002	Kalkaska	A	4:15	2:45
Tuesday	April 16, 2002	Houghton Lake	H	4:00	
Thursday	April 18, 2002	Roscommon	H	4:00	
Tuesday	April 23, 2002	Oscoda	H	4:00	
Friday	April 26, 2002	Standish Sterling	A	4:00	1:45
Monday	April 29, 2002	Gaylord	H	4:00	
Tuesday	April 30, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	A	4:00	1:30
Friday	May 3, 2002	Petoskey	H	4:30	
Tuesday	May 7, 2002	Gladwin	H	4:00	
Friday	May 10, 2002	Pinconning	H	4:00	
Tuesday	May 14, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	A	4:00	2:00
Wednesday	May 15, 2002	Kalkaska	H	4:15	
Friday	May 17, 2002	Tawas	A	4:00	1:30
Tuesday	May 21, 2002	Gaylord	A	4:00	2:45
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Wednesday	April 17, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	4:00
Monday	April 22, 2002	Gladwin	4:00
Wednesday	April 24, 2002	Tawas	4:00
Friday	April 26, 2002	Boyle City (KO)	4:00
Monday	April 29, 2002	Oscoda	4:00
Wednesday	May 1, 2002	Pinconning	4:00
Monday	May 6, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw	4:00
Wednesday	May 8, 2002	Standish Sterling	4:00
Friday	May 10, 2002	Tawas	4:00
Monday	May 13, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	4:00
Wednesday	May 15, 2002	Gladwin	4:00
Friday	May 17, 2002	Roscommon	4:00
Monday	May 20, 2002	Pinconning	4:00
Thursday	May 23, 2002	Cheboygan	4:00
Tuesday	May 28, 2002	Districts	4:00

Northland Credit  
UnionSuperior Janitorial  
Services

Cellular One

Coldwell Banker  
Cornell Realty

Weyerhaeuser Co.

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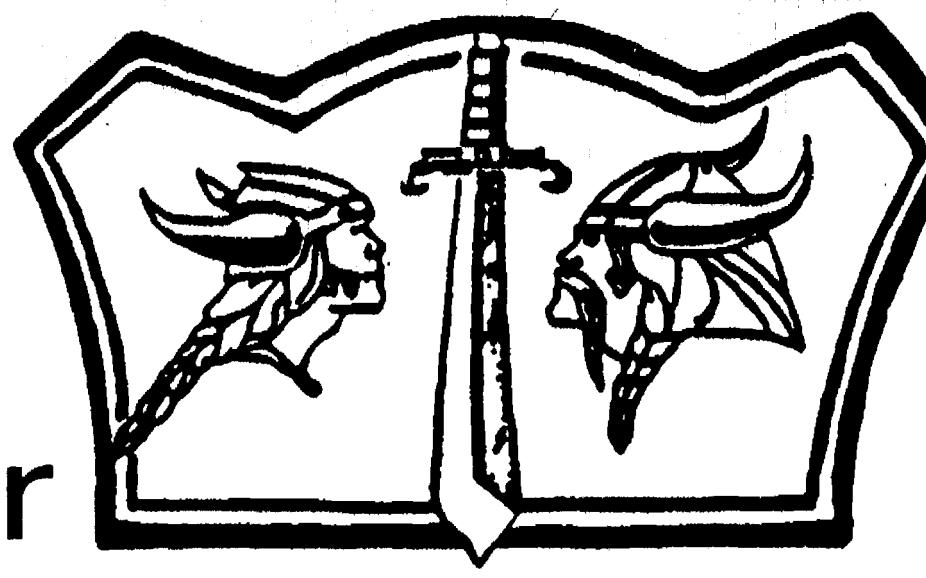
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### Grayling Vikings Boys Tennis

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	April 10, 2002	Harbor Springs	H	4:30	
Thursday	April 11, 2002	Charlevoix	A	4:00	1:45
Monday	April 15, 2002	Boyne City	A	4:00	2:30
Wednesday	April 17, 2002	Petoskey (JV)	H	4:00	
Thursday	April 18, 2002	Traverse City St. Francis	H	4:00	
Tuesday	April 23, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	H	4:00	
Wednesday	April 24, 2002	Elk Rapids	H	4:30	
Monday	April 29, 2002	Harbor Springs	A	4:30	2:15
Wednesday	May 1, 2002	Charlevoix	H	4:00	
Friday	May 3, 2002	Boyne Invitational	A	9:00	7:30
Tuesday	May 7, 2002	Traverse City West (JV)	H	4:00	
Tuesday	May 14, 2002	Bay City John Glenn	A	4:00	1:30
Wednesday	May 15, 2002	Petoskey (JV)	A	4:00	2:30
Friday	May 17, 2002	Regionals	TBA	TBA	TBA

### Grayling Middle School Track

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Tuesday	April 16, 2002	Houghton Lake & Roscommon	A	4:00	2:45
Monday	April 22, 2002	Mio & Roscommon	A	4:00	3:00
Tuesday	April 30, 2002	West Branch Ogemaw Heights	A	4:30	2:45
Friday	May 3, 2002	Houghton Lake Invitational	A	4:00	2:45
Thursday	May 9, 2002	Houghton Lake & Boyne City	H	4:00	
Tuesday	May 14, 2002	Houghton Lake	H	4:00	
Friday	May 17, 2002	Gladwin	A	4:00	2:15

Underline denotes site of away meet

### Grayling Vikings Varsity Track

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	April 10, 2002	Roscommon & Cheboygan	A	4:00	
Monday	April 15, 2002	Harison (9th & 10 th graders)	A	3:00	1:00
Wednesday	April 17, 2002	Ogemaw Heights & Pinconning	H	4:30	
Saturday	April 20, 2002	Mio	A	10:00	8:15
Tuesday	April 23, 2002	Roscommon	A	4:30	3:00
Wednesday	April 24, 2002	Standish:Sterling & Gladwin	A	4:30	2:15
Monday	April 29, 2002	Gaylord (JV)	H	4:30	
Wednesday	May 1, 2002	Oscoda & Bay City John Glenn	A	4:30	2:30
Wednesday	May 8, 2002	Tawas	A	4:30	1:45
Thursday	May 9, 2002	East Jordan	A	3:00	1:30
Saturday	May 18, 2002	Regionals	TBA	TBA	TBA
Wednesday	May 22, 2002	NEMC	H	TBA	TBA

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# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago April 5, 1979

#### Kiwanians Plan Trade Show

Three Kiwanians shown above from left, Charles Fick, Dave Jansen and Bill Kelly review the floor plan for the upcoming Grayling Trade Show to be held on April 26, 27 & 28. Spaces are limited so it is suggested that you contact Dave Jansen at 348-6711 as soon as possible if you are interested in having a booth at the show.

A manufacturing facility that employs some 80 people is keeping the Crawford County village of Frederic healthy nowadays, thanks to the ingenuity and inspiration of its owner, Albert Madill. The AuSable Woodworking Co. produces wooden wall plaques and other souvenirs and is managed by Jim Madill, Plant Manager. The business, which dates back to the 1920's, has as its present owners, the Madill family. The firm is chock full of thousands of wooden souvenirs trucked for sale throughout the U.S. The business is based on a grass-roots philosophy and turns out some of the finest wooden plaques and souvenirs produced anywhere in the world.

### 46 Years Ago April 5, 1956

The Grayling Sportsmen's Club is offering their club building on Ingham Street in Grayling for sale following a regular monthly meeting held Monday night. The club has set a price of \$7,800 for the building with the plan in mind of

obtaining a new site out of town where they might set up a trap field and rifle range in connection with the clubhouse.

The Third Annual Trade Show sponsored by the Grayling Woman's Club will open in the new Grayling High gymnasium this Friday afternoon for a two day stand like last year. Of course, just about all of the Grayling merchants will have a booth with plenty of free treats, favors and, in some cases, valuable prizes. Others not having booths are displaying advertising banners and offering door prizes. In addition to these, there will be a large number of other valuable door prizes.

According to official figures, released recently by the U.S. Public Health Service, the death rate in Crawford County is considerably higher than in most parts of the United States. The government's report shows that there were 15 deaths from cancer and other malignant growths among residents of Crawford County in the year ending January, 1954, the period covered by the survey. This was equivalent to a rate of 373 such deaths per 100,000 population and was much higher than the national rate for the year, 143 per 100,000.

At an AuSable Guide's meeting held last Thursday, at the Sportsman's Hall, the main discussion was on ways and means to provide permanent pull outs for boats and canoes used in guiding and fishing, as more and more of these places along the river are being closed to public access.

State conservation officials are deeply concerned about dogs harassing winter-weakened deer. Any officer, acting within his jurisdiction, is permitted to "kill any dog pursuing, killing or following upon the track of a deer." Such dogs are considered under the law as public nuisances. In short, the northern dog owner who allows his favorite canine its freedom in late winter is taking a long chance on the dog's life.

### 69 Years Ago April 6, 1933

A housecleaning by the Democratic party such as has never before been done in the history of Michigan buried the Republican candidates for state offices beneath an avalanche of Democratic votes.

The election of delegates to the state convention in favor of the repeal of the 18th Amendment was overwhelming. In Crawford County every township turned in large majorities in favor of the wet delegates and the total for the county was 974 in favor and 203 against repeal. Michigan is the first state in the union to vote on this question and will be listed among the solid wet states.

For their last game of the season Grayling Lumberjacks played the Thomas Lunch team of Saginaw and found them tough opponents, losing in a hard fought game by the score of 50-38. A good sized crowd witnessed the game and enjoyed watching the Thomas Lunches perform. They are all well-built fellows and know how to handle a basketball.

Strangers or fishermen might have by mistake taken the Main

Street of Frederic for a branch of the AuSable one day last week. But it was only water running down from the large hill back of Frederic as the spring rain melted the snow.

Gaylord has been having high water trouble, some of the downtown streets being so flooded that people had to drive on sidewalks to get out of cars. Having no sewer system the water couldn't drain away. Even a pinnacle city, it appears, can have its floods.

Sam Smith, who was elected clerk of Grayling Township in the election Monday, in the opinion of some of the older citizens is the youngest person to have ever held an official office in Crawford County. Sam was 21 years old last October and cast his first vote at the presidential election last November.

School opened again Monday morning after a week of spring vacation, with a change in time - school opens at 8:30 in the morning instead of 9:00 and 1:00 in the afternoon instead of 1:15.

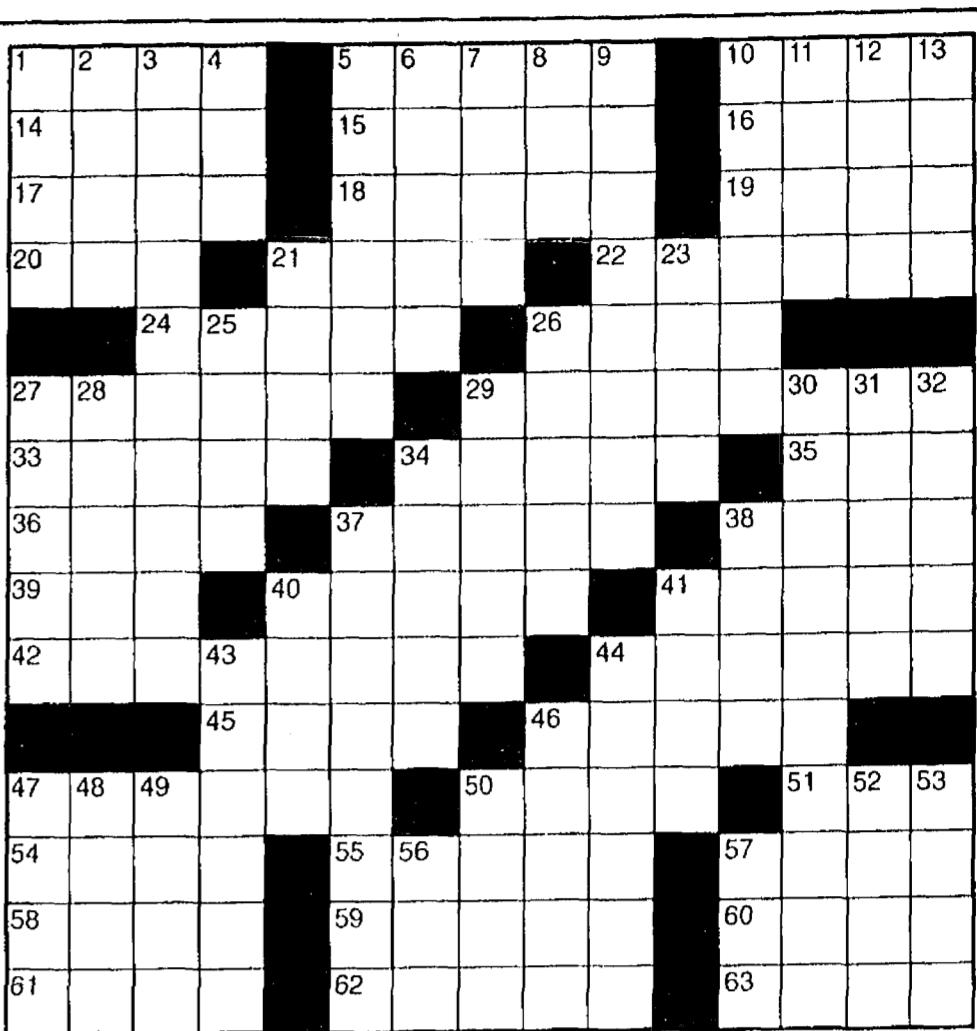
### 92 Years Ago April 7, 1910

Dr. O. A. Albright, president, and Atty. W. W. Campbell, secretary and treasurer of the Crown Chemical Co., have been in the city this week in consultation with Manager Halter. Things are moving up there with increased velocity and the question of success is no longer problematical.

Miss Emma Sherman and Minnie Thompson spent their vacation at their home in Maple Forest.

Feldhauser boys are through sawing lumber in the Maple Forest District where they have been working all winter.

# CROSSWORD



## ACROSS

- I Married \_\_\_\_\_ (short-lived sitcom)
- "The American Crisis" pamphleteer
- Handwriting spot, perhaps
- Oil org.
- Actor Flynn
- Turkish regiment
- Type of dream
- Janeiro
- Rive
- At all times, in poems
- Right on!
- Stanzas
- NYC's \_\_\_\_\_ Island
- "Smooth Operator" singer
- Upshot
- Meant
- None omitted
- Envious
- The Lady* \_\_\_\_\_ (1941 film)
- Champagne color
- Desserts
- Solar disk
- Polo Grounds hero
- Road worker
- Motionless
- Like a graduate's cap
- Bull sounds
- Chime
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- Win over with charm
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- Violinist Stern
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- Marriage-ceremony portions
- Stunt
- "\_\_\_\_ Miracle"
- If not
- Tugs
- Nicholas, e.g.
- Eye coverings
- Confederate
- Biblical address
- Lie in wait
- Emulate Snidely Whiplash
- Provide more root room
- Musical set in Argentina
- Annoyed
- Tide and Wisk, e.g.
- Chris of tennis
- Fender mishaps
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- Jane
- Eventually
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- the ground floor
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## ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

# Adopt a Pet



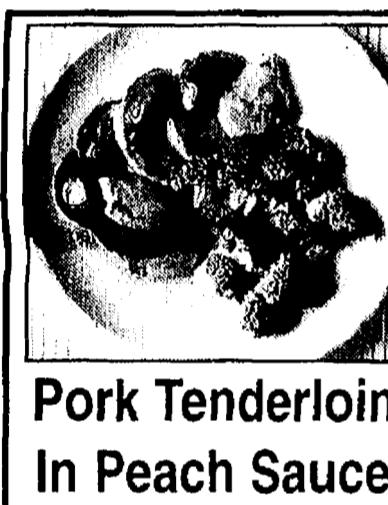
Frankie (named after Frank Sinatra because of his blue eyes) is a male and must have some husky in him. His eyes make everyone think he is mean, but he is very loving. He is 2 to 3 years old. There are many dogs and cats waiting for adoption at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County. Please call 348-4117 for more information on Frankie or any other animal. Or, email: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

Remember that all pets adopted from the Animal Shelter of Crawford County receive FREE health insurance for the first two months in their new home. The insurance covers most diseases common to animals that come from shelters and even some accidents that may occur after you take them home. All you have to do is call an 800 number to activate it when you take your new pet home.

**The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at  
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling  
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall**

Winter Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9am - 1pm; Sun. and Holidays 8am - 11am  
After hour appointments available.

		WEATHER				Extended Forecast			
		Courtesy of the City of Grayling				(Courtesy of the Weather.com)			
		Last Week				Extended Forecast			
Date	H	L	Snow	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
3/27	37	10							
3/28	40	14							
3/29	43	19							
3/30	44	30							
3/31	44	26							
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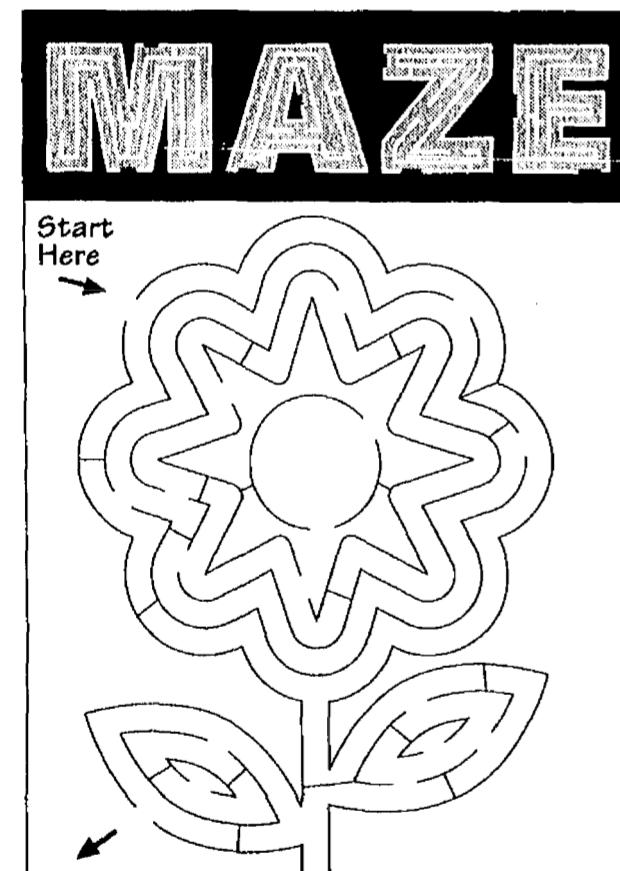


**RECIPE OF THE WEEK**

**Pork Tenderloin In Peach Sauce**

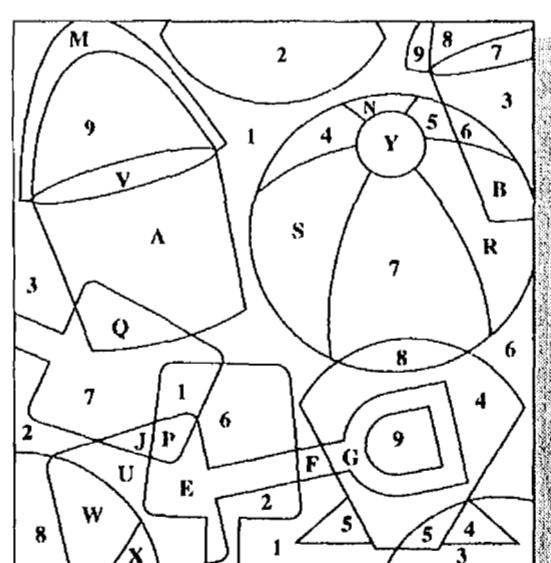
1 teaspoon vegetable oil  
1 pound pork tenderloin, trimmed and cut into 1/4 inch slices  
ground black pepper  
1 teaspoon butter or margarine  
1 clove garlic, finely chopped  
1/4 teaspoon dried sage  
1 12 oz. can chicken broth  
1 tablespoon cornstarch

4 Chilean fresh peaches or nectarines, pits removed and sliced into wedges  
Heat oil in frying pan on medium-high heat and sauté pork slices seasoned with pepper until done, about 2 minutes on each side. Remove pork to plate and keep warm. Add the butter, garlic and sage to pan and cook until garlic just starts to turn golden. Mix cornstarch and chicken broth and add to pan. Cook over high heat stirring constantly until sauce is thickened. Add fruit slices and cook just until heated. Arrange pork on plate with fruit slices and serve with sauce.



**DID YOU KNOW?**  
Both humans and chimps have equal amounts of hair per surface area. Chimp hair is heavier.

## HIDDEN PICTURE



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## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of April 4, 2002

<b>CAPRICORN</b> December 22-January 19	<b>ARIES</b> March 21-April 19	<b>CANCER</b> June 22-July 22	<b>LIBRA</b> September 23-October 22
You receive new information that changes how you see a tricky situation. Sharing your feelings helps. Focus on your budget, but don't overlook the power of a small purchase.	Spend your time being productive and refuse to get bogged down where you can't make a difference. Sacrificing now pays off later. Remember to take time for yourself.	Leave past mistakes in the past. Repairing a relationship could require you to make the first move. Step up and do what you know needs to be done. Practice what you preach.	Someone who supported you in the past needs your help. Working behind the scenes can pay off for both of you. Friends and family brighten your day—let them know it.
<b>TAURUS</b> January 20-February 18	<b>TAURUS</b> April 20-May 20	<b>LEO</b> July 23-August 22	<b>SCORPIO</b> October 23-November 21
Be aware of what's going on around you. Brighten your surroundings and approach a long-term problem with a positive attitude. Get the facts before making a major purchase.	Balance career plans with your private time. Focus on friends, family and what's really important. A long-standing situation gets resolved in time.	Step back and take a good look before making any planned moves. Persistence pays off. Keep temporary setbacks in perspective. Your finances need your attention.	Someone in authority is watching you and working behind the scenes for your benefit. Be ready to answer when opportunity knocks! Health and diet plans need to be monitored.
<b>PISCES</b> February 19-March 20	<b>gemini</b> May 21-June 21	<b>VIRGO</b> August 23-September 22	<b>Capricorn</b> November 22-December 21
Family and friends may put you on the spot, but they really want your help and guidance. This helps you see things as they are. Stick to your long-range plans.			

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**ENGLISH INSTRUCTORS:** Kirtland Community College is seeking applications to fill two one year, full-time (34 week) English faculty positions. The successful candidates will be able to effectively teach all phases of the college's writing program. Position to be paid at a rate determined by the 1999-2003 master agreement (2002-03 masters salary range \$35,589 to \$58,773). Applications will be accepted until April 26, 2002; starting date is August, 2002. For complete position descriptions, visit our website at http://www.kirtland.cc.mi.us/jobposts or call 989-275-5000, Ext. 239. Kirtland Community College is an equal employment opportunity/affirmative action employer. (-4-11/3)

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**3. Employment**

**WAIT STAFF** must be available to work evenings and weekends. Apply at Grayling Country Club. (-4-11/3)

**HELP WANTED HINTS** When placing a Help Wanted Classified, remember to list the job title and duties involved, whether it is full or part time, the name of company or business, mailing address for resume, or street address for walk-in applications. Crawford County Avalanche, 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (989) 348-6811. (-28-4-11/3)

**3. Employment**

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**3. Employment**

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**3. Employment****DIRECTOR**

Crawford-Roscommon Child Protection Council is seeking a Director with strong leadership skills. Must possess strong oral and written communication skills. Background in marketing, non-profit organizations, and grant-writing helpful but not required. Candidate will work on a limited part time basis up to 10 hrs. per month. Interested persons may send letter of interest, with resume, to CR-CPC, Box 2, Roscommon, MI 48653. Application deadline April 17, 2002.

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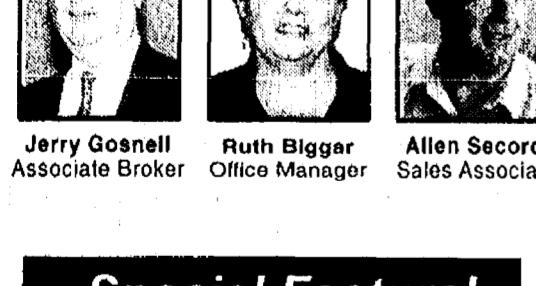
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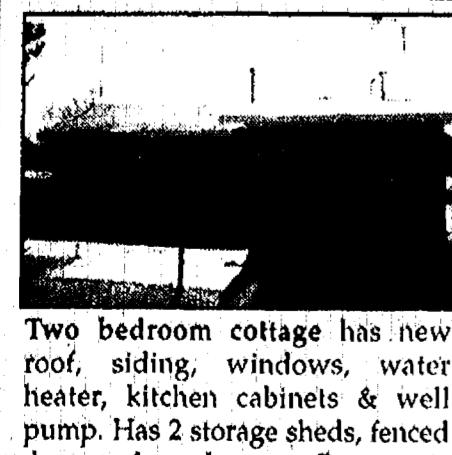
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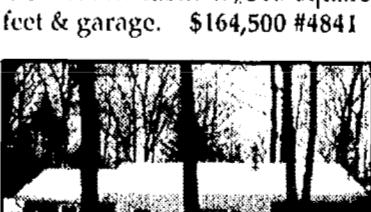
Completely remodeled (including new roof, all new vinyl windows, new carpet & vinyl flooring), 2 story home located in downtown Grayling; offers 2-possibly 3 bedrooms, formal dining room & all major appliances, full basement, 2 car garage. \$67,900 #4903



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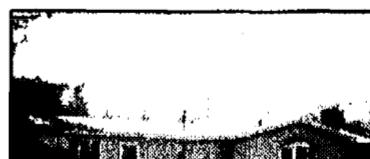
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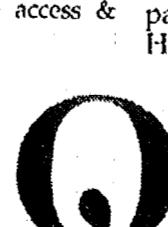
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**7. Miscellaneous**

**FREE PUPPIES** mother is Rottweiler, father is Husky. Six weeks old. Contact Mike or Patty. (989) 348-3994. (-4-11/7)

**8. Announcements**

**CONIFERS, HARDWOODS & SHRUBS:** (seedlings and transplants) Fir, pines, spruce, oaks, maples, dogwoods, cedars, ash and berry & flowering bushes. Roscommon County Fairgrounds Friday, April 26, noon - 4 p.m., and Saturday, April 27, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. For further info, call the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District at (989) 275-5231. (-28-4-11-18-25/8)

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**8. Announcements****STATE OF MICHIGAN****NOTICE OF PROPOSED****CLASSIFICATION AND****NONMETALLIC MINERALS****(SAND AND GRAVEL) LEASING**

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) proposes to lease State-owned nonmetallic mineral (sand and gravel) rights in approximately 80 acres. These parcels are *existing* State sand and gravel pits being converted from mineral permits to leases in an effort to improve management and reclamation. The lands under consideration for leasing are located in the following areas:-

**SB#2002-1:** Crawford County, Beaver Creek Township, T25N, R3W, Section 16, NE1/4 NE1/4 and NW1/4 NE1/4, 80 acres, more or less. (*7-Mile Pit*)

A list may also be obtained by writing DNR, Forest, Mineral, and Fire Management, P.O. Box 30452, Lansing, MI 48909-7952, including a stamped, pre-addressed envelope. Written comments by interested parties relative to the leasing of any description must be received by Forest, Mineral, and Fire Management at the address specified above **NOT LATER THAN** May 3, 2002.

Tina Marie Hellebuyck, wife of Corky Hellebuyck, owner of Hellebuyck Masonry, and Sean Patrick Doyle, son of Steven and Ruth Doyle would like to announce their engagement.

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**8. Announcements**

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**9. Personals**

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One "Easter Bunny"  
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**9. Personals**

**WANTED** The persons or person that bought my VCR and VCR movies from Timothy Lee Wakeley, in February 2002. I bought them for my grandchildren to watch. I will buy them back from you for what you paid for them. Please contact me at Sharon E. Wakeley, 639 E. M-72, Grayling, MI 49738. (-4/9)

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**1997 SURBURBAN LT** Low miles and loaded. 4 WD. V8 350, 8 passenger, leather, air. 62,000 miles. \$16,900 firm. Days (989) 348-2961; evenings (989) 348-5826. (-4/10)

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**Wednesday - 6:30 pm**

**Knights of Columbus**

K of C Hall, 604 Norway Grayling

**Thursday - 6:30 pm**

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P.O. Box 827  
Roscommon, MI 48653

Sealed bids must be submitted on Bid Forms provided by the District. Forms may be picked up at the C.O.O.R. Administrative office Monday thru Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Forms will be mailed on request call (989) 3275-9555. Bid deadline is 4:00 p.m. on April 15, 2002.

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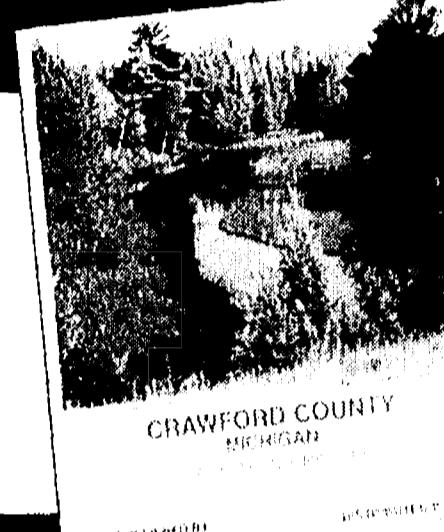
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Grayling, MI 49738 • (989) 348-6711**Log grade recovery, scaling topics of upcoming workshops**

Two workshops for loggers are planned beginning next week. Those in the industry, on a large or small scale, may want to consider attending.

With the increasing demand for high quality sawlogs and veneer and a limited hardwood sawtimber resource, it is essential that producers maximize the log grade recovery and dollars for every tree cut.

A one-day workshop is planned April 9, at the Holiday Inn in Petoskey, and April 16, at the Ford Forestry Center, Alberta, in L'Anse. It will focus on log grading and bucking principles that will help maximize the profits from logging operations. This workshop is intended for loggers but landowners and anyone employed in the forest industries would benefit as well.

The workshop fee is \$90 and includes instruction, handout materials, coffee breaks and lunch.

With the competitive nature of buying and selling sawlogs and veneer, it is essential that the scalers

use sound sealing principles and apply the official grading rules properly. A two-day workshop is planned April 10-11 at the Holiday Inn in Petoskey and April 17-18 at the Ford Forestry Center, Alberta, in L'Anse. It will provide a review of The Official Grading Rules for Northern Hardwood and Softwood Logs and Tie Cuts, published by the Timber Producers Association of Michigan and Wisconsin, Inc., effective September 1, 1988, and the proper application of these rules.

The workshop fee is \$165, which covers instruction, handout materials, two lunches and coffee breaks.

Michigan State University, Michigan Technological University and the Michigan DNR, in cooperation with Manhei, Incorporated, are sponsoring these workshops. The workshops qualify for SFE Continuing Education Credits.

For more information on either workshop or to register, contact Gail Weisinger at (906) 524-6181 or Ralph Duflek, (906) 482-5830.

**Education material available for Soil, Water Conservation Week**

Urging citizens to support improved management and conservation of trees and forests is the goal of the 2002 Soil and Water Stewardship Week, scheduled for April 28 - May 5.

The Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District and its counterparts across the nation are inviting churches, schools, other organizations and individuals to participate in the week. The theme is "The Gift of Trees."

"Our Conservation district wants to take the leadership to bring all interested groups and individuals together to discuss how to improve the health of the forest resources in our area," Walt Neilson, Crawford-Roscommon district chairman, said.

In addition to construction and

paper products, trees are the source of materials for many chemicals and dyes, food and spices, clothing and medicines. Trees also help control erosion, shelter buildings and farmland for the elements and clean the air.

"While you may not be a farmer or forester, there are opportunities to exercise a positive forest stewardship role," Neilson said. "We can do that by planting the right tree in the right place in the right way. Our actions will affect many generations to come."

Educational materials to help all ages observe Soil and Water Stewardship Week are available. For information, contact the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District at (989) 275-5231.

**LIBRARY NEWS****Frederic Community Library**

The Bradford Lake Association has donated the book *The History of Kalkaska County Big Trout Block Gold* by Dawn Triplett in memory of Josie Hoddas.

Allyn Kellogg Schwarzkopf donated the books, *The Water Hole* by Graeme Base, *Bus and Button* by Joost Elffers and *Waiting for Wings* by Lois Ehlert on behalf of Doris Leng Kellogg.

Jim and Edna Kitchen donated *Water Gardens in a Weekend* by Peter Robinson in memory of Ruby Alma and *The Four Agreements* by Miguel Ruiz in memory of Shirley Chichester.

Friends of the Crawford County Library has donated *The Simarillion* by J.R.R. Tolkien and the *Michigan Reader for Boys and Girls* by Kathy Jo Wargin.

Upgrades at the library are continuing. New shelves, a wallpaper border, a new periodical shelving unit, a new paperback rack, a new book drop and two new Dell computers have been added.

The Pep Rally banner for the Frederic High School is on display. The banner belongs to the Frederic Historical Society. The cheerleaders at all the High School pep rallies used it.

The Frederic Community Library is open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Phone 348-4067.

**Senior Companions meet**

Rob Torgusen, from Tendercare, was the guest speaker for the Senior Companion Program March in-service held at B.J.'s Restaurant in Gaylord.

Torgusen spoke on "Planning for your Peace of Mind" which covers issues on medical and legal decisions. Stephanie Scott, also of Tendercare, was available to answer questions.

Prize winner for the day was

Evie Regan of Lewiston. New volunteers, Shirley Debouette of Grayling, Irene Piper of St. Helen, and Norita Urban of Cheboygan, were welcomed.

The Senior Companion Program is sponsored by Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency.

If you are interested in becoming a Senior Companion call toll-free 1-877-222-9043, ext. 260.

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